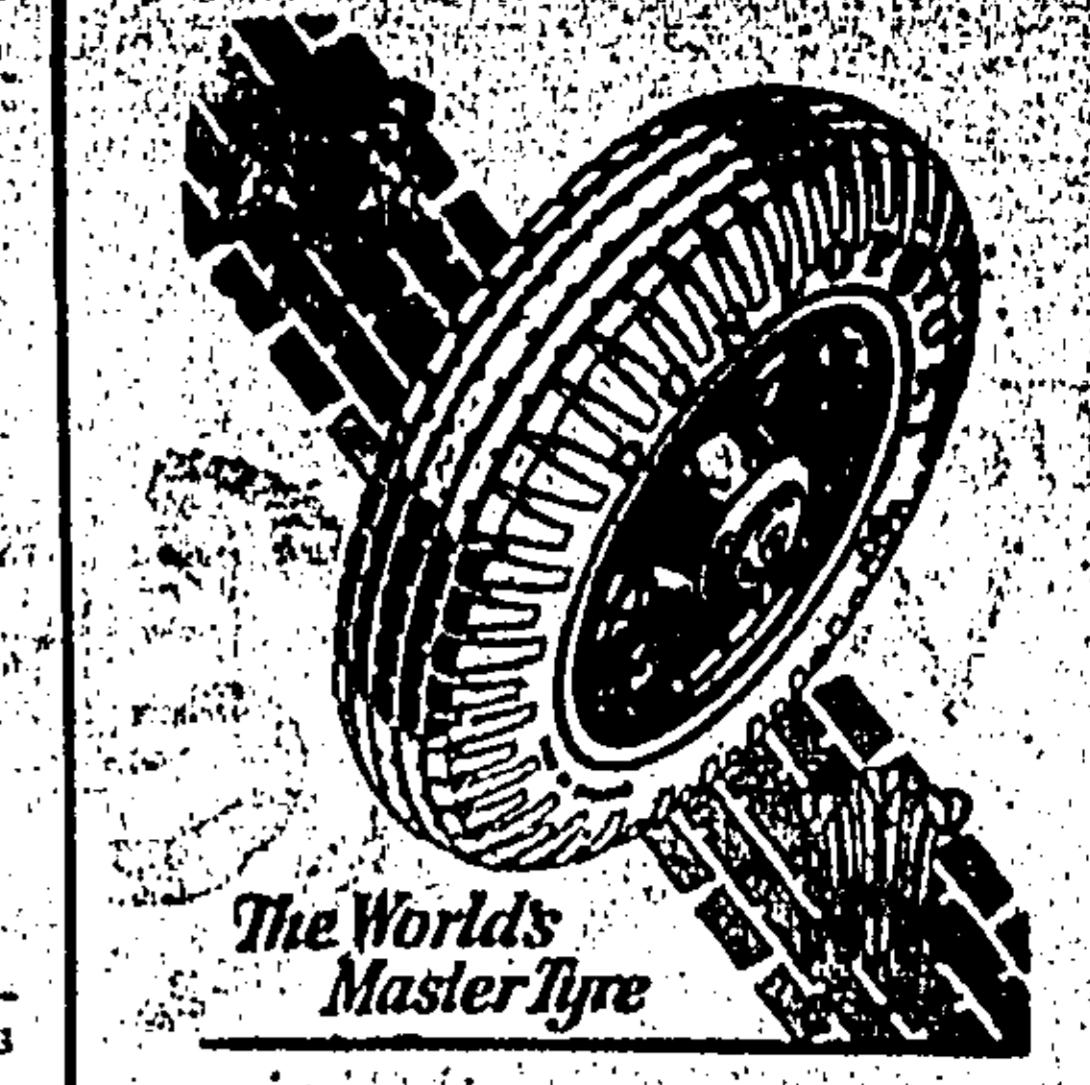




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"MR. WINDSOR" GOING ABROAD GEORGE VI TO BE PROCLAIMED IMMEDIATELY

Parliament Hastening
Necessary Routine

LONDON, DEC. 10.

KING EDWARD VIII WILL SIGN HIS ABDICATION TO-MORROW NIGHT AND WILL LEAVE THE COUNTRY IMMEDIATELY. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT HE WILL RENOUNCE ALL HIS TITLES AND BE KNOWN AS MR. WINDSOR, BUT THE NEW KING MAY CONFER A DUKEDOM ON HIM.

THE ACCESSION COUNCIL WILL MEET ON SATURDAY MORNING AND THE DUKE OF YORK WILL BE PROCLAIMED KING IN THE AFTERNOON. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT HE WILL TAKE THE TITLE OF GEORGE VI, WHICH IS HIS FOURTH AND LAST CHRISTIAN NAME.

NO DECISION HAS YET BEEN REACHED REGARDING THE TITLE THAT KING EDWARD WILL TAKE, AND NOTHING HAS YET BEEN DECIDED REGARDING FINANCES. THE REVENUES FROM THE DUCHIES OF LANCASTER AND CORNWALL WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE TO HIM BUT WILL PASS TO THE NEW KING. THE GOVERNMENT MAY ASK PARLIAMENT TO MAKE HIM AN ANNUAL GRANT, BUT HE MAY INTIMATE THAT HIS PRIVATE RESOURCES ARE ADEQUATE.

At the suggestion of Major Attlee, the House of Commons adjourned until 6 p.m. when the Abdication Bill was introduced. It will pass through all stages to-morrow. When the Bill has passed through both Houses the King will give his assent to it—his last act as King.

Both houses will meet on Saturday afternoon for the swearing-in, which will continue on Monday, when Parliament will receive a message from the new King and move the Address-in-Reply.

The accession meeting of the Privy Council will take place at St. James's Palace on Saturday morning and the proclamation of the new King will follow immediately.—Reuter.

Parliamentary Routine

King Edward VIII has voluntarily renounced the Throne, for himself and his heirs, and a vast Empire has been plunged into mourning for a great monarch lost. The Abdication Bill is before Parliament.

The King's message to Parliament, read to a packed House of Commons, and later to an equally crowded House of Lords, was delivered amid a tense silence. Men and women made no attempt to hide the grief they felt.

House Reassembles

London, Dec. 10. Following a brief recess, the House of Commons reassembled.

The House of Commons was still packed with a tense throng when the House resumed at 6 p.m. G.M.T.

Major Attlee, leader of the Parliamentary Labour Party, rose immediately after the resumption amid cordial cheers.

He said that the occasion did not call for long and eloquent speeches. They had heard the message from the King with profound concern. The whole country had received the news with deep sorrow, and the King's subjects would feel a sense of personal loss.

Major Attlee paid a tribute to the King.

"No British monarch was better known to his subjects, both in Great Britain and throughout the Commonwealth," he said.

King Edward VIII, continued Major Attlee, was a monarch who had shared the people's joys and sorrows in the dark days of war. "We know of his ready sympathy with the suffering," he said, amid cheers.

They had all been thinking of some way of solving the problem, he went on.

Must Accept Decision

"We realised the great objection to every course that has been suggested."

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GOD BLESS THE KING AND QUEEN



KING GEORGE VI AND QUEEN ELIZABETH WITH PRINCESS ELIZABETH, HER PRESUMPTIVE, AND PRINCESS MARGARET ROSE

PACKED HOUSE HEARS HISTORIC WORDS OF KING Baldwin Brings Message Of Monarch to Commons

London, Dec. 10.

Never in its history has the House of Commons been so packed as when the Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, made his momentous announcement of the abdication of King Edward VIII, nine months a sovereign.

When the sitting opened every bench on the floor of the House was filled, except for the places reserved for the Prime Minister, Major C. R. Attlee, Labour leader, and Sir Archibald Sinclair, the Labour chief. The Peers, Dominions and Diplomatic Galleries were jammed and many were unable to obtain admittance, says Reuter.

There were 50 questions before the House and they were answered quickly and almost inaudibly in the hum of tense conversation.

All were most obviously conscious of the gravity of the most historic Parliamentary occasion since the outbreak of the War. As the murky December afternoon drew on and faded lights were switched on, throwing into greater relief the sombreness of the scene.

Nearly everyone, including women, wore black as if to match the gloom of their thoughts.

At 3:35 p.m., Mr. Baldwin entered the House, receiving a restrained but whole-hearted cheer. He took his seat between Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and Sir John Simon, and it was noticed that he was very pale.

Wearing a short black coat, striped trousers and a black tie, the Premier rose and walked slowly to the Bar of the House holding the paper bearing the announcement from His Majesty the King and signed by the Royal hand.

He read the King's message.

The announcement from Daventry, at 4 p.m. Greenwich mean time, heard clearly in Hongkong, was as follows:

A quarter of an hour ago the Prime Minister came to the Bar of the House and handed to the Speaker a message from His Majesty the King. Here is the text of the message which was read by the Speaker:

The King's Statement

"After long and anxious consideration, I have determined to renounce my position as King."

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KING TO ADDRESS EMPIRE

BROADCAST LIKELY TO-DAY

His Majesty King Edward has expressed a desire to make a farewell speech to the people of his Empire before his abdication becomes effective. In all probability his speech will be relayed from Daventry to-day.

A Daventry announcement at 7 a.m. stated that the time of the original broadcast by King Edward was not yet known, but recordings would be made at the beginning of each transmission.

Listeners are advised to switch on their receivers at the following times, as being those most likely recordings of the King's speech will be heard:

Transmission I, 4 p.m. H.K.T., GSO and GSB.

Transmission II, 7 p.m. H.K.T., GSH and GSC.

Transmission III, 10 p.m. H.K.T., GSH, GSF and GSB.

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MR. BALDWIN'S ADDRESS

The address of the Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, delivered to the House of Commons at the conclusion of the King's message, is fully reported on Page 7.

LOYALISTS ATTACK

Madrid, Dec. 10.

The Catalan Government announced that it will take the offensive against the insurgents on three fronts.

Another Government offensive has started on a wide front, from Malaga to the west towards Algiria. The Government troops here are stated to be heavily reinforced by Russians.

Broadcasting Ceremonies

Daventry announced early this morning that His Royal Highness the Duke of York will be proclaimed King George VI on Saturday afternoon, probably at 3 p.m. G.M.T.

The entire ceremony will be broadcast through the Empire network, commencing at 11 p.m. Hongkong Time.

The broadcast will be made through GSH (21,470 k.c.), GSF (15,140 k.c.) and GSB (9,580 k.c.).

ZBW will relay the ceremony, which will be identical with that at the Proclamation of King Edward VIII last January.

The Hongkong Legislative Council will probably meet on Saturday morning to proclaim the Duke of York King George VI.

FIRST TO VOLUNTARILY RENOUNCE HIS THRONE

King Edward VIII, who ruled for nine months, is the first British monarch in history to voluntarily renounce the Throne. Only two other British rulers, James II and Richard II, have abdicated—each under compulsion.

The Kings of Great Britain cannot lawfully abdicate unless with the consent of the two Houses of Parliament. When James II, after throwing the Great Seal into the Thames, fled to France in 1688, he did not formally resign the Crown, and the question was discussed in Parliament whether he had forfeited the Throne or abdicated. The latter decision was reached, despite James' protests.

Among the most memorable abdications in history may be mentioned that of Sulla the dictator, 79 B.C.

that of the Emperor Diocletian, A.D. 305; Napoleon Bonaparte, and Kaiser Wilhelm II of Germany.

No less than three Popes—Benedict IX, Celestine V and John XXIII—have abdicated.

Pearl King Enshrines The Souls Of 50,000,000 Oysters



CONFIDED TO THE CARE OF BUDDHA

Isle of Pearls (Japan); Dec. 1.

THE souls of 50,000,000 oysters that have served to turn a macaroni maker into the pearl king of the Orient went to the bosom of Buddha on the Isle of Pearls to-day.

Kokichi Mikimoto began pearl culture many years ago, and now owns the most extensive oyster beds in the world. He is now 79 years old, and he believes in the tradition that everything that does good should be revered.

Already in Japan cuts that give their skins for musical instruments, dogs that served their masters well, and horses are enshrined and their souls confided to Buddha.

Oysters which have produced pearls have certainly done good to Kokichi Mikimoto, so he conceived the idea of the ceremony whereby the souls of those that have made him a millionaire should receive due honour.

At his family shrine gathered Mikimoto's relatives, friends, employees, appraisers of gems, priests and musicians. And while the ceremony was carried out on the first pearl an oyster ever made for Mikimoto lay on the altar.

As early as 1717 cultured pearls had been produced by the scientist Reimur, but it was Mikimoto who really put oysters to work. He abandoned his macaroni shop and in 1894 produced his first pearl.

Though it was not perfect, it was placed in the shrine, and to-day it is the "soul of souls" for the oyster family.

By 1910 perfect pearls were being produced in abundance, and by 1930 four million oysters were being bred annually in the beds of the Mie prefecture.

MARRIAGES OF GIRLS AGED 15

22 DIVORCED BEFORE 19

Berlin, Dec. 1. THE number of girls married at the ages of fifteen to sixteen in Germany last year was sixty-three, twice as many as a year before, one bride being under fifteen.

MARRIAGES OF GIRLS AGED 16

20 DIVORCED BEFORE 19

Twenty-two marriages of women under nineteen were dissolved.

There were three cases of quadruplets.—Central News.

Fifty New Sleuths for Britain's O.G.P.U.

FIFTY of the cleverest young detectives in the Metropolitan Police Force have been transferred to the Special Branch.

This section deals exclusively with spies and political agitators, and provides the personal guards for members of the Royal Family and statesmen.

This marks a decision by the Government to pay more serious attention in future to this branch of the work.

WATCH ON ALIENS

A number of the new men will be allocated to the duty of guarding the distinguished visitors who are coming from the Continent for the Coronation. Others will watch the ports for the arrival of suspected characters.

They do not concern themselves with ordinary criminal work but are the equivalent of the O.G.P.U. in Russia, without, of course, that body's tyrannical methods.

'ANT 25'— REDS' NEW 'PLANE

Moscow, Dec. 1. ANT 25—a Soviet plane with balloon floats, whose range is claimed to be 7,500 miles, took off here to-day for Paris.

It will be shown at the 15th International Aviation Exhibition.

The machine is being piloted by Chikalev and Baldukov, with Beliaikov as navigation officer. They piloted the plane in a recent 5,850-mile non-stop flight for which they were made "Heroes of the Soviet Union."

The engine is claimed to run efficiently for 100 hours, for which period the wing tanks store enough petrol.—Reuter.

Two Japanese Admirals See War Possible

DO Preparations Along Yangtze Mean Threat To Japan?

SITUATION IS "TENSE BUT QUIET"

Outlook Is Described As Uncertain As Weather To-morrow

NAGASAKI, Dec. 3.

Two Japanese Admirals to-day saw in alleged feverish Chinese preparations for war along the Yangtze a possibility that the Nanking Government might challenge Japan to a fight.

"While on the one hand, the Nanking Government is pretending that it wishes to settle all issues with Japan peacefully, on the other, it is strengthening land defences near Shanghai, Nanking and along the Yangtze," they said.

The speakers were Rear-Admiral Eijiro Kondo, retiring commander of the Japanese Special Naval Landing Party in Shanghai, and Rear-Admiral Seiho Iwamura, chief of staff of the Third Fleet, stationed in Chinese waters.

TENSE BUT QUIET

Speaking, alternately, the officers, who have been transferred for duty at the Yokosuka Naval Base after serving for more than a year in China, described the situation in Shanghai as "tense, but quiet."

Commenting on the outlook of Sino-Japanese relations, one of the Admirals said "It is like to-morrow's weather. You don't know what may happen."

CHINESE "EXCITED"

The attitude of the Chinese, he added, was hard to understand. "They seem to be as excited now as they were at the time of the Shanghai hostilities in 1932 and wild rumours are flying thick."

"We sincerely hope for peace," he continued, remarking that close co-operation existed among the Japanese naval, military and diplomatic representatives in China, who, he remarked, were "endeavouring day and night to bring about a peaceful settlement."—Dowet.

Sydney, Dec. 1. Thomas Coughlan, a Sydney boot-maker, who accidentally broke his false teeth, carved a new set in three months from an elephant's tusk.—Reuter.



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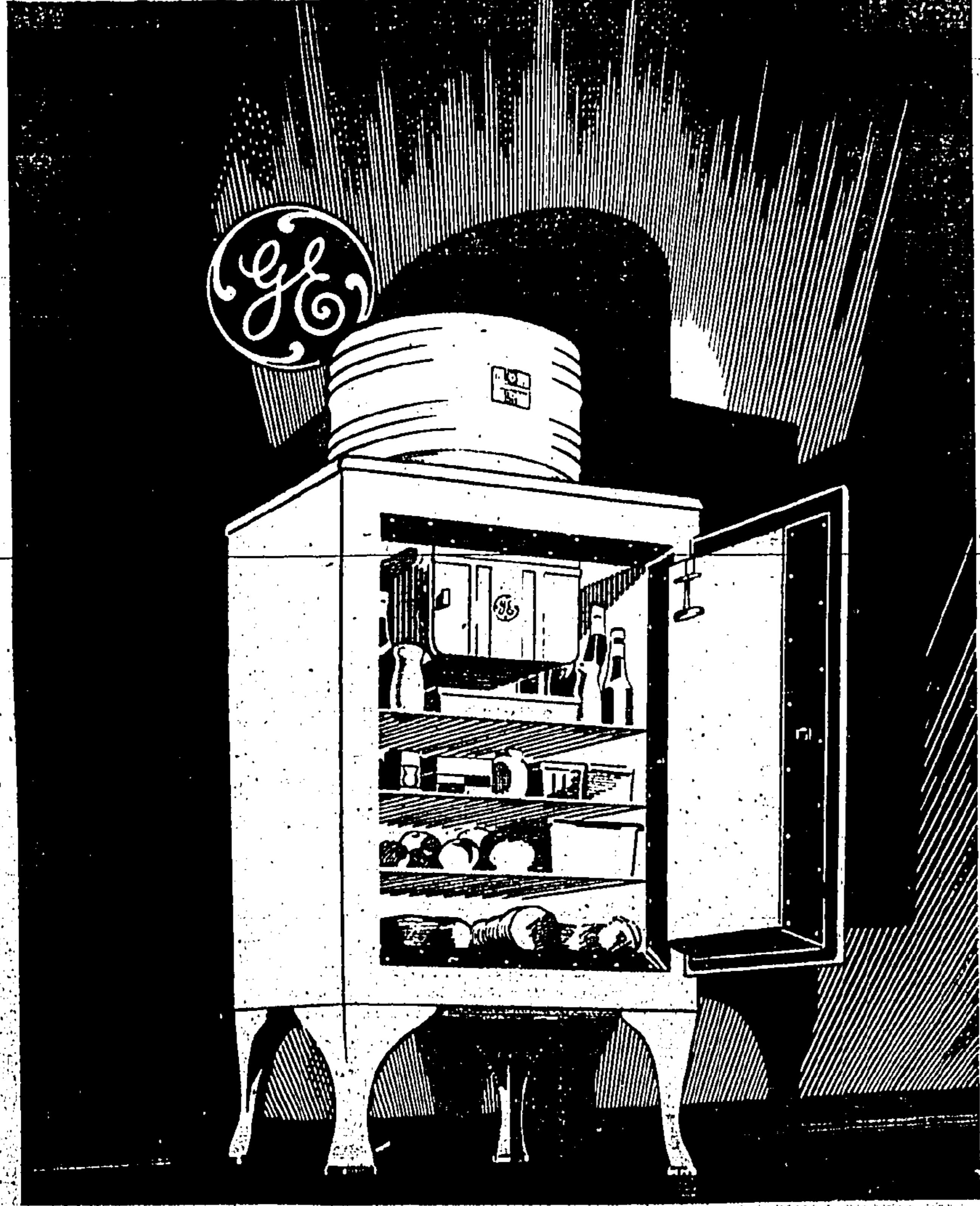
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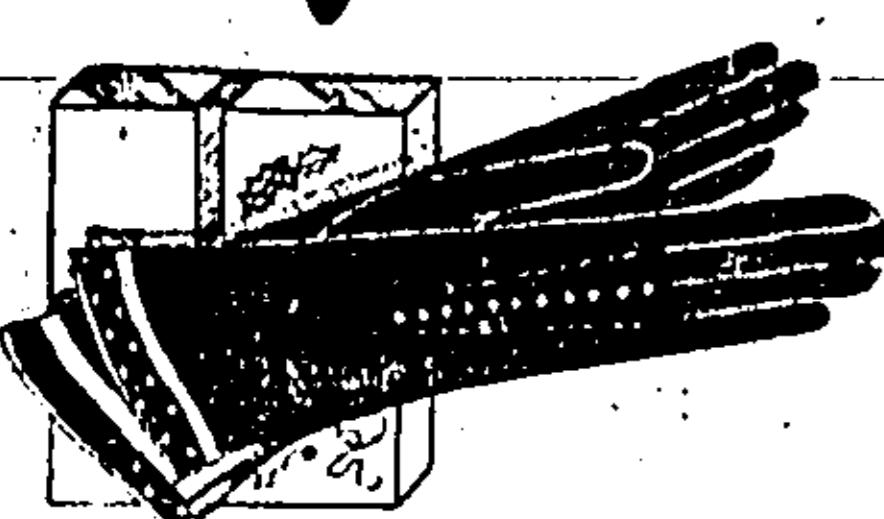


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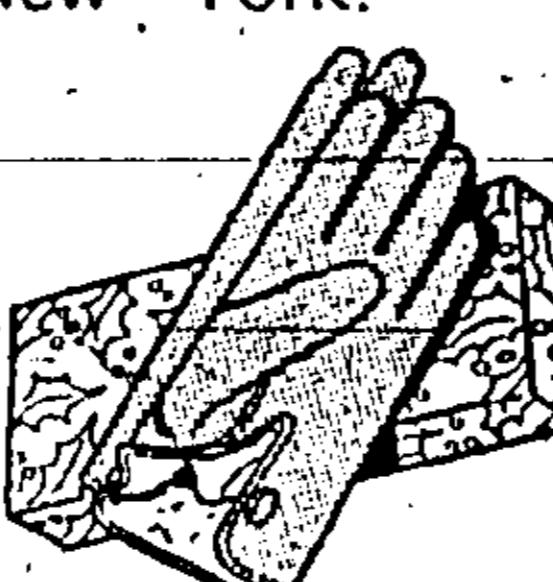


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CINEMA NOTES

"We Went to College," whether you did not, is a post graduate course in the art of hilarious comedy. It is showing to-day at the King's Theatre. It will appeal to every type of theatre audience because it has a laugh for all ages. The story concerns a typical American business man who goes back to his old college to attend a reunion. Primarily, he wants to see the trustee in order of bricks for a new building, but the occasion promises a "bus" on the side, for diversion. One of his last double comedy cases ever assembled is featured—Charles Brabin, W. F. X. J. Hugh Herbert, Una Merkel, Edith Atwater, Walter Catlett, Charles Trowbridge and Tom Tiss. Special music was written by Bronislau Kaper, Walter Jurmann and Gus Kahn, featuring three new songs that will be ringing on every college campus in the country: "We Went to College," "Alma Mater" and "Stutter's Victory March." It was directed by Joseph Santley.

"Snowed Under"

"Snowed Under," a rollicking First National comedy romance with a New England setting, comes to the Star Theatre on Sunday, bringing together a leading man and three leading women, all of whom are top notch Hollywood stars in their own right. George Brent has the lead while the feminine trio is composed of Genevieve Tobin, Glenda Farrell and Patricia Ellis. The hilarious comedy situations show a handsome young playwright snowbound in a Connecticut farm-house with two ex-wives and a new sweetheart, a love-form lawyer and a romantic sheriff. Lawrence Saunders wrote the story which was directed by Raymond Engelmayer from the screen play by F. Hugh Herbert and Brown Holmes.

"La Vie Parisienne"

To anyone who has listened with delight (and who has not) to the beautiful melodies of Jacques Offenbach, it will come as good news that one of his most popular and light-hearted operettas has been made into a film. This is "La Vie Parisienne" which is coming to-day at the Majestic Theatre under the title of "Parisienne Life." Offenbach, becoming famous for his light "musical buffooneries" in the 18th century, has been credited as the creator of opera buffa. His star was somewhat dimmed by the arrival of Alexander's Bagdad Band, bringing in its wake rhythmic blatherings and syncopated negro blatherings on the saxophone. Jazz obliterated melody, but once more the light orchestra is coming back into favour and no music is more suitable for this combination than Offenbach's.

"Swing Time"

Night clubs, built and decorated on a style that eclipses anything previously used in pictures, and a mountain setting that is the last word in realism, form the three principal locales of "Swing Time," the new Astaire-Rogers musical for RKO Radio which is showing to-day at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres. One of the clubs, presumably belonging to John Harrington, who plays one of the "heavy" roles in the film, is a lavish creation with a metallic flavour, done in a blue-and-white colour scheme that includes a "quilted" ceiling and accommodation for some 300 guests. The other club is shown in two stages, first as an equally ornate structure, the "Silver Sandal," run by Harrington's competitor, Plaza Walkin, and later transformed into the startlingly gorgeous setting for the "Bojangles of Harlem" production number in which Astaire, wear-

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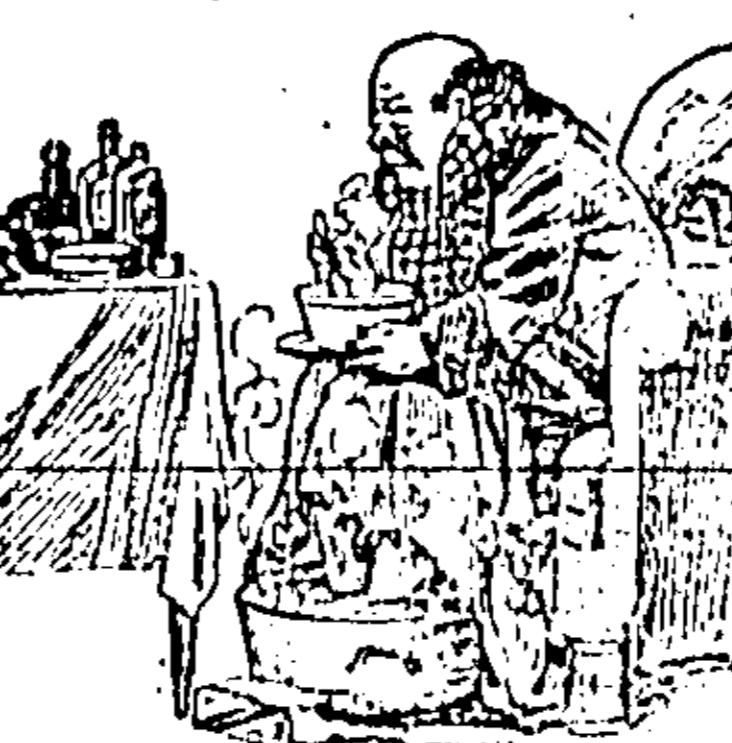
Principals in the Philharmonic Society's production of "The Maid of the Mountains" will be pictured in to-morrow's issue of the Telegraph Pictorial Supplement, of which they will form a most interesting feature.

Groups appearing in the Supplement will include those taken at the wedding of Dr. Jack Thomas and Miss Nance Pettitt, and at a party given in honour of Dr. Wu Lien-teh by local medics, whilst there will also be a photograph of the Bellillios School Pack of Brownies, winners of the Totem Competition.

Numerous other topical pictures will also appear in Saturday's issue of the Telegraph.

Five cases of Diphtheria were reported to the local Health authorities on Wednesday.

ing black-face, does a sensational hand-and-foot tap accompanied by twenty-four dancing girls. Another of these spectacular backgrounds is the huge mountain setting, with a deserted resort-hotel in the Adirondacks and its grounds blanketed with a foot-deep snowfall. In this picturesquely spot Astaire and Miss Rogers have one of their principal romantic scenes. The set completely filled the studio's largest stage, requiring many tons of both real and artificial snow when the sequence was being filmed. Six stages altogether were needed to hold the various sets of "Swing Time," with a complete theatre, several apartments and hotel suites and other backgrounds being erected for other phases of the story action.



To Ease That Cold.

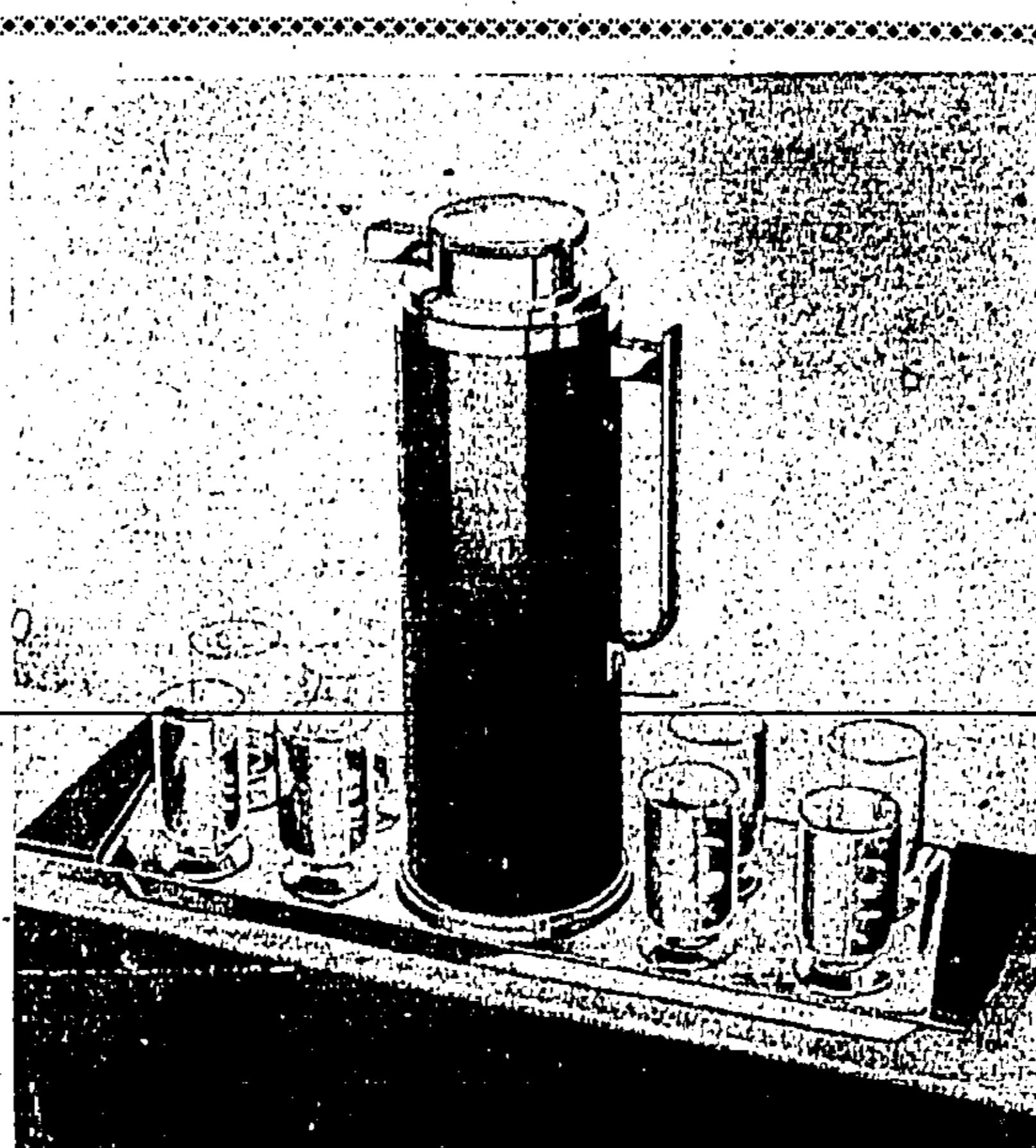
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THE THRONE AND THE PEOPLE

Although the events of the past few days had prepared his subjects for the possibility of the worst happening, the actual abdication of King Edward VIII has come as a great shock to the whole Empire. Little was it thought, when this fine young leader came to the Throne, that his Kingship would, within so short a period of time, be so abruptly terminated. As heir to the Throne, the ex-King rendered yeoman service to the Empire, and during his brief rule he has demonstrated those high attributes which we had come to associate with his name, notably by his keen interest in the well-being of the masses. His reign, in short, promised to bring King and people more closely together than ever before, for no more popular monarch had ever ascended the British Throne. In the anxious days since the crisis arose, there has been evident on all hands a deep measure of sympathy for the young King in the dilemma in which he found himself when the desires of his heart clashed with his position as the head of the Empire; and, however much his final decision may be deplored, the thought cannot but obtrude itself that he must have felt very strongly when, despite the pleas of his family and the Governments of the Empire, he conceived it to be his right, as a human being, to live his life as he himself should choose to do. At the moment, the loss of one so widely loved weighs heavily on those who had hoped that he might long reign over his loyal people, but time may give a truer perspective of what now looks like a major calamity to the whole Empire. Such comfort as may be extracted from the situation will be found primarily in the fact that there is no interference in the normal succession and that neither the permanence nor the stability of the Throne are in any way impaired. The attachment to the Crown and to the personality of the King of millions of Britons everywhere remains unchanged. A new monarch now sits on the Throne. He comes to his high estate with the loving wishes of his subjects everywhere that he may have many uninterrupted years of happy service ahead. The traditions of the Throne are safe in his hands, and he will have by his side a beloved consort whose charm of humor and sunny disposition have endeared her to the British people as a whole. The new King may not possess the same magnetic personality as his brother whom he succeeds, but that he has qualities appropriate to his high office there is no shadow of doubt. Those who know him best speak of his sterling character, his serious-mindedness, and his unassuming nature. Above all, he and his Queen typify the best character-

PORTRAIT STUDY OF WORLD'S MOST-TALKED-OF WOMAN



A portrait study of Mrs. Wallis Warfield Simpson, the woman for love of whom the King of England renounced his Throne.

By the Grace of God . . .

"... therefore we do now hereby with one voice and consent of tongue and heart publish and proclaim that the High and Mighty Prince Albert Frederick Arthur George is now by the abdication of our late Sovereign become our only lawful and rightful Liege Lord George the Sixth by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, to whom we do acknowledge all faith and constant obedience with all hearty and humble affection, beseeching God by whom Kings and Queens do reign to bless the Royal Prince George the Sixth with long and happy years to reign over us—GOD SAVE THE KING."

The form of Proclamation of Accession.

The Duke of York, brother of King Edward VIII, was a royal under-study for many years. Most of his life he was trained and educated to step into the shoes of his elder brother. Marriage made the Duke as popular as was the Prince of Wales. Before he wed Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon in 1923, he was just the usual second son "Bertie," as the family called him, was studious.

"As Bertie" was a popular and oft-heard remark around the royal house. He, of all the children, most resembles his mother, Queen Mary. He has her somewhat severe outlook on life.

Then he married pretty little Lady Elizabeth—the dainty Duchess, as she was called—and England took this daughter of a Scottish peer to their hearts.

TWO DAUGHTERS BORN

The birth of two daughters, Princess Elizabeth, now heir presumptive to the throne, and Princess Margaret Rose, added to her popularity. Her husband basked in its reflected glory. They became the model family, used as an example of married bliss to a multitude of erring wives and husbands.

Christened with the usual yard of names—Albert Frederick Arthur George—he was born on December 14, 1895, at York Cottage, Sandringham, so that our new Monarch has just turned 41. He and the Prince of Wales, six years older, were reared together, and at Eton were

captains of rival cricket teams.

FOUGHT AT JUTLAND

After studying at Osborne, naval academy, Prince Albert, in 1912, went to sea for six months. He served as a midshipman in the First Battle Squadron during the first few months of the World War, when he underwent an operation for appendicitis. On recovering he rejoined his ship, was made acting-lieutenant in 1916, and full lieutenant two years later. He took part in the Battle of Jutland in 1916 and was mentioned in dispatches.

A severe attack of influenza forced Prince Albert ashore, and he joined the air force. He quickly rose to group captain. In 1925 he was an air vice-marshal. In 1930 he made his first solo flight over London.

STUDIED INDUSTRIAL PROBLEMS

After making an intensive study of economics and civics at Cambridge University, the Duke of York

isices of happy British family life. Called unexpectedly to the Throne at a time when calm leadership and kingly qualities were never more needed, the new monarch may be counted upon to give his best to the nation and the Empire.

The most indulgent persons to her was King Edward, but the one who makes her laugh most is the Duke of Kent.

Many have remarked on the strong facial likeness between Princess Elizabeth and Queen Mary, and there is a strong bond of love and affection

between the two. Even in public the Queen can't tell the future, but if generally self-controlled Queen can't hide her pride and tenderness for her grand-daughter, and in private nothing gives Her Majesty greater joy than to talk to the lively Princess.

No one can tell the future, but it is written that another Elizabeth will one day reign over the British throne; there is one thing certain—she will not fall into the country or the Empire from lack of early guidance or training or wise parental control.

Edward VIII was Empire's Most Popular Monarch

King Edward VIII without doubt was the world's most popular monarch. No other king in history knew so much of the world, or was known to so many of its people.

The secret of his popularity was his ability to meet all grades of society on their own levels.

The ex-King has the gift of making them think that to him they are the most important people in the world. He drinks beer with miners in "pubs," and champagne with kings and dictators. He has the same charming manner for them all.

The British workers regard the ex-King as one of themselves. Diehards, steeped in the pomp and circumstance of past reigns, may have despised his democracy, but the people chuckled over his summary treatment of stodgy tradition and pettifogging red-tape.

They liked to know that he walked through the rainy streets with his coat collar turned up, and a dripping umbrella, or attended some starchy occasion without his coat because it was hot.

He did things just as they would have done them.

MOST HUMAN KING

He was the most "human" king Britain has ever had; and therefore probably the greatest.

Yet, despite his democracy, Edward could be kingly. He surprised most people who remembered him as the easy-going Prince of Wales, by his calm bearing when there was an apparent attempt against his life. Yet he rode calmly on, only casually glancing in McMahon's direction.

Although it became known later that George McMahon, a journalist with a grievance, only threw a revolver in the roadway to call attention to his woes, Edward must have thought a bullet was coming his way. Yet he rode calmly on, only casually glancing in McMahon's direction.

Edward became King at 11:55 p.m. Jun. 20, this year, as King George breathed his last. He was the 38th monarch of England. His full, resonant title was: "His Most Excellent Majesty Edward VIII, by Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India."

KNOWN AS PRECEDENT BREAKER

Almost immediately after the death of his father ex-King Edward

Edward was well-known for a directness of speech almost amounting to bluntness. He had the common-sense view of the man in the street cutting through the trimmings of diplomatic intercourse straight to the heart of the problem. International statesmen, with their love of windy phrases and endless "don't nothing" conferences deplored Edward's American "pep" and "go-get-'em" manner.

BALDWIN'S MOMENTOUS STATEMENT LIFTS THE VEIL OF SECRECY

WHY KING EDWARD RENOUNCED THRONE

MR. STANLEY BALDWIN'S statement to the House of Commons, following the renunciation of the Throne by King Edward VIII, was one of the most dramatic speeches made in Parliament since Sir Edward Grey announced, in 1914, Great Britain's entry into the Great War.

Mr. Baldwin was heard by a crowded house in absolute quietness. His face was drawn and white as he stood before the representatives of the people, and told them of the events leading up to the abdication of the King.

London, Dec. 10.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Prime Minister, facing the assembled House this afternoon, said:

"I have to move that His Majesty's most gracious message be now considered. No graver message has ever been received by Parliament, and no more difficult and, I might almost say, more repugnant task has ever been imposed on a Prime Minister. (Sympathetic cheers). I will trust the House which I know will not be without sympathy for me in my position to-day (renewed sympathetic cheers). To remember that in this last week, I have had little time in which to compose a speech for delivery to-day, and so I must tell what I have to tell, truthfully, sincerely and plainly with no attempt to dress it up or adorn it, and I shall have little or nothing to say in the way of comment, or any criticism, or praise, or blame."

"I think my best course to-day, and one which the House will desire, is to tell them as far as I can what has happened between His Majesty and myself and what has led up to the present situation. I would like to say at the start that His Majesty as Prince of Wales has honoured me for many years with his friendship, which I value, and I know he will agree with me when I say it was not only a friendship as between man and man but a friendship of affection.

"I would like to tell the House before I begin, that when we said good-bye on Tuesday night at Fort Belvedere, we both felt and said to each other that our friendship had so far from being impaired by our discussions three last weeks had bound us more closely together than ever before, and it would last for life. (Cheers).

FIRST INTERVIEW

"Now, Sir, the House would like to know when it was that I had my first interview with His Majesty. I might say that His Majesty has been most generous in allowing me to tell the House the most pertinent parts of the discussions that took place between us.

"The House is aware that I had been ordered in August and September a complete rest which, owing to the kindness of my staff and consideration of my colleagues, I was able to enjoy in full. When October came, although I had been ordered to take a rest that month, I felt I could not take a further holiday and I came back, as it were, on half time in the middle of October. I was then, for the first time since the beginning of August, in a position to look into things, and there were two things which disquieted me at that time.

"There was coming into my office a vast quantity of correspondence mainly originating from British subjects in the United States and also from the Dominions, expressing perturbation and uneasiness at what was then appearing in the American press.

DIFFICULT SITUATION

"I was aware then that in the near future there was a divorce case coming on, the results of which made me realise that possibly a difficult situation might arise later, and I felt it was essential that someone should see His Majesty and warn him that a difficult situation might arise later—if occasion was given—for a continuation of this kind of gossip and criticism and the danger that might come if it spread from the other side of the world across the Atlantic to this country.

"I felt, under the circumstances,

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that there was only one who could speak to His Majesty and talk it over with him, and that man was the Prime Minister. I felt doubly bound to speak, both because of my duty to the country and my confidence in him, not only as a counsellor but as a friend.

"I consulted him, and he was not one of my colleagues. I happened to be staying in the neighbourhood of Fort Belvedere. On Sunday, October 18, His Majesty was entertaining a small shooting party at Sandringham and was leaving on Sunday afternoon. I telephoned on Sunday morning from my house, and found that he had left earlier than was expected. Under these circumstances, I communicated with his Secretary, and said that I desired to see him. That was the first and only occasion on which I had one to ask for an interview.

SAY THE KING

"I said I desired to see him, and that the matter was urgent. I told him what it was, and expressed my willingness to go to Sandringham on Tuesday, October 20, and that it would be wiser to see him at Fort Belvedere, because I was anxious at that time that no one should know of my visit, and that the first talk should be in complete privacy. His



KING EDWARD VIII

I majesty replied that he would motor back on Monday, October 19, to Fort Belvedere, and that he would see me on Tuesday morning. I saw him then—and I may say before I proceeded to any details of the conversation that no adviser of the Crown can be of any possible service to his master unless he tells him the truth as he sees it whether it be welcome or not—and may I say here that during those talks, when I look back, there is nothing which I have not told His Majesty which he should not be aware of.

EXPRESSED ANXIETY

"During all that he showed no sign of offence or of being hurt, and the whole of our discussion has been carried through with an increase of possible of that mutual respect and regard which we have for one another.

I pointed out to him that I had two great anxieties. The effect of the continuance of the kind of criticisms in the American Press and in the Dominions, particularly in Canada, where it was widespread; and the effect it would have in this country, for so long as it exists in that integrity, against many of its neighbours yet-to-day.

Then I reminded him of what I had often told him and his brothers in years past, that the British monarchy was a unique institution. The Crown in this country, through the centuries, had been deprived of many of its prerogatives yet-to-day, it stands for far more than it has done at any time in the history of the country. The importance of its integrity was unquestionably far greater than it has ever been. It was not only the last link left to the Empire—but was a guarantee in this country, for so long as it exists in that integrity, against many of the evils that afflicted other countries.

But, while that feeling largely depended on the respect that had grown up during the last three generations, for the monarchy, it might not take so long in the face of criticism to lose that power far more rapidly than it took to build it up. I told the King that once lost, I doubted if anything could restore it. That was the basis of my talk on that aspect.

"I expressed to him my anxiety, and the desire that there should be no cause for the criticisms. Any popularity in the long run would be weighed against the effect of the criticism. I told him I had looked forward to his reign as a great reign in the new age, for he had so many of the qualities necessary for it. I told him I had come to him not only as his Prime Minister but that I wanted to talk to him as his friend. I did not ask His Majesty if I could say this, but I do not think he would mind—and it illustrates the basis on which our talks have been held. He said to me not once but many times during these many hours, and especially towards the end of the meetings: "You and I must settle this matter together; I will not have anyone interfering."

"I then pointed out the danger of divorce proceedings, and said that if a verdict was given in that case, which would leave the matter in suspense for some time, that period of suspense might be ruinous, because everyone would be talking, and once the Press began in this country, a most difficult situation would arise both for him and for me, and there would be the danger which both he and I had foreseen. "Factions would grow up in this country, where no factions should exist.

CONFICTING LOYALTIES

I pointed out the gravity of the possible alternatives—that the King might be placed in a grievous situation by two conflicting loyalties in his own house—either the complete abandonment of the project on which he had set his heart and remarrying King, or going and later contracting the marriage if possible.

From that date until now, that has been the struggle in which His Majesty has been engaged. We have had many talks but always on the various aspects of this limited problem.

I want to emphasise that the King is not a boy but a mature man of wide experience of the life of the world. His Majesty has repeatedly said that if he went he would go with dignity. He wanted to go with as little disturbance to his ministers and people as possible, and in circumstances that would make the succession as little difficult for his brother, as possible.

Any idea of what might be called "the King's Party" was most abhorrent to the King. (Loud and prolonged cheers.)

The King stayed at Fort Belvedere because he said he was not coming to London, while the matter was being disputed on account of the cheering crowds. I honour and respect him for the way in which he behaved.

I told the King that I was certain that it would be impracticable for



THE NEW KING CHIEF EVENTS IN HIS LIFE SUMMARISED

Dec. 14, 1889.—Birth at York Cottage, Sandringham.
May, 1910.—Joined Royal Navy.
November, 1914.—Served in First Battle Squadron in North Sea.
March, 1916.—Fought in Battle of Jutland.

April, 1918.—Joined Royal Air Force.

Feb. 1920.—Created Duke of York.

April, 26, 1920.—Married Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon.

April, 21, 1926.—Princess Elizabeth born.

1927.—Tour of Australia and New Zealand.

Aug. 21, 1927.—Princess Margaret Rose born.

1935.—Became Air Marshal in R.A.F. and made first solo flight over London.

Jan., 1936.—Became heir presumptive to the throne on the death of his father, King George V.

I shall read it to you. In it he says that he and the Duke of York will always be on the best of terms and that he is confident that the Duke deserves and will receive the support of the whole Empire. (Cheers).

The King told us that he could not carry on the almost intolerable burden of kingship without a woman at his side. The crisis has risen now, rather than later, from the very frankness of the King's character which is one of his many attractions. It would have been perfectly possible for the King not to have told the Premier for months but he made this declaration in order to avoid what he felt might be dangerous, not only to England but to the entire Empire.

He told me of his intentions and never wavered from them, but felt it his duty to consider earnestly all the representations made by his advisers before making public his decision.

NO CONFLICT

I wish to emphasise again that there has been no conflict. The efforts of myself and those closest to the King during the last few days were directed in trying to help him to make the choice which he made. We failed.

The King made the decision at the present juncture because he confidently hoped by doing so to preserve the unity of the Country and the Empire and avoid factual differences which might have arisen easily.

The King told Queen Mary of his intentions that night and informed the Dukes of York and Gloucester the next day and the Duke of Kent the next Wednesday or Thursday.

He sent for me again on November 25; meanwhile, a suggestion had been made to me that it was possible that a compromise might be arranged to avoid the two possibilities that had been seen approaching.

I am convinced that where—be it said nobody could have succeeded. (Cheers).

It appealed, for dignity and conduct, the speedy carrying-out of the King's wishes and the avoidance of any painful utterance. I have the greatest respect and admiration for Queen Mary, whom I revere and love, and I ask you all to remember what all this time has meant to her.

The compromise was that the King should marry and that Parliament should pass an Act to enable the lady to be the King's wife without becoming Queen. When I saw His Majesty on November 25, he asked me if that proposition had been put to me. I answered: "Yes." The King asked me what I thought of it and I told him that I had not considered it but that my first reaction informally was that Parliament would never pass it. In reply, the King told me that he desired me to put it formally before the Cabinet and to communicate with the Prime Ministers of all the Dominions.

The King asked me to see him on December 2 when I told him that I was afraid that the proposition was not practicable because neither in the Dominions nor, in Britain would there be any prospect of such legislation being accepted.

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CONFICTING LOYALTIES

The following extracts are from the "Hongkong Telegraph" for the week ended December 18, 1915.

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The rate of the dollar on demand was £1. 11s. 3d./16d.

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The death occurred of Mrs. Atkinson, wife of Mr. R. L. Atkinson, of the Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.

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The head office of the Indo-Chinaman Navigation Co., Ltd., was transferred from London to Hong Kong.

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Members of the Kowloon Cricket Club approved of a scheme for a new lay-out of the Club's grounds, at a cost of \$3,400.

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H.E. the Governor (Sir Henry May) laid the memorial stone of the new Mongkokau Harbour of Refuge.

RADIO BROADCAST

A Recital by Madame Francesca Denies

DANCE MUSIC

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z. B. W. on a Wavelength of 365 metres (405 k.c.s.), 31.49 metres (0.62 megacycles).

12.30 p.m. March Weber and His Orchestra.

1 p.m. Time and Weather.

1.03 p.m. A Recital by Grace Moore (Soprano), Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone) and Yehudi Menuhin (Violin).

1.30 p.m. Reuter Press, Rugby Press, Time, Weather and Announcements.

1.40 p.m. Dance Music.

2.10 p.m. Close Down.

4.7 p.m. Chinese Programme.

7 p.m. The Orchestra Raymonde, Delibes in Vienna (narr. Walter); Indian Mail—Descriptive (Lamotte); Glow Worm—Intermezzo (Lineke); Berceuse (Jarnfelt); Stephanie Gavotte (Czibulka); A night on the waves (Kosidina); Electric Girl (Holmberg); The Dancing Clock (Ewing).

7.30 p.m. Closing Local, Stock Quotations and Hongkong Exchange Market Report.

7.35 p.m. "Mandalay" (Ripplin, arr. Willeby), Sung by Raymond Newell (Baritone).

7.40 p.m. From the Studio, Billy Mayerl Transcriptions by Yasdin Semaj.

8 p.m. Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 p.m. Concerto in D Major, Op. 77 (Brahms) played by Fritz Kreisler and the London Philharmonic Orchestra, Conducted by Baron Barbirolli.

8.40 p.m. Overture "Don Giovanni" (Mozart), played by the State Orchestra, Berlin, Conducted by Dr. Leo Blech.

8.45 p.m. From the Studio, A Recital by Madame Francesca Denies (Soprano).

Programme.

"La Tosca"—Vis d'arte (Verdi); Ideale (Britten); Winds in the trees (Goring Thomas); Solvejg's Song (Grieg).

8.45 p.m. London News and Announcements.

9.20 p.m. From the Studio, A Recital for two Pianos by Marina Barrett and Harry Ore.

Programme.

1. Duettino in Mozart's Style (Busoni); 2. Solo: Murina Barretto—Concert Study in D Flat Major (List); 3. Valse in C Major (Arensky).

9.40 p.m. "Moonlight on the Alster" (Fetras), played by Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

9.45 p.m. From the Studio, The 2nd of a series of talks on "The Early Days of Cricket," by R. Abbit.

10 p.m. London—Big Ben. Dance Music.

11 p.m. Close Down.

DAVENTRY PROGRAMMES

The following wavelengths and frequencies are received by Devons:

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"CAPT. FOSTER" SUMS UP LAST WEEK'S RACES

CHINESE Y.M.C.A. AND BADMINTON LEAGUE GESTURE

GIVES THE ASSOCIATION AN IMPORTANT LEAD: WHAT OF KING'S COLLEGE?

THIS letter which appears in columns to-day from Mr. Patrick H. Wong, representative of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. badminton team which is competing in the "B" Division of the league, offers a lead to the Badminton Association which deserves consideration by that august body. The letter contains a defence, an admission and a suggestion; it is the admission and the suggestion which should capture the interest of the Association.

Sporting Gesture

CHINESE Y.M.C.A. frankly confess that now they have played some league matches they are convinced the team is too strong for the "B" Division. This admission is sufficient to pave the way for a rearrangement before the season gets much older. But an even more important contribution is their sporting declaration of willingness to follow the suggestion made in these columns last Tuesday that they should offer to go into the senior division and start their season all over again. One admires such a gesture, made so frankly and so unhesitatingly, and, for the benefit of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. players, and badminton generally, one hopes that the Association will discover it expedient to accept their offer.

What of King's College?

ORDINARILY I can see no difficulty in the way. But there is one contingency, which may present a severe obstacle. Results to date have proved that not only is the Chinese Y.M.C.A. too powerful for the second division of the league, but that King's College fall into the same category. To have the Y.M.C.A. withdraw into the "A" Division and leave King's College in the "B" would, as Mr. Wong points out to-day, leave the Colleagues to walk away with the laurels. It would seem, therefore, that in order for the association to accept the offer of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. (and by so doing satisfy not a few disgruntled "B" Division players) it is imperative that King's College make a similar gesture to that of the Y.M.C.A. Perhaps this is asking too much. I do not know the sentiments of King's College concerning the situation. But equally true is it that unless the College team is prepared to follow the "Y. M." lead, the Association cannot expect the "Y" to make a sacrifice.

Position Explained

A PART from that, to get the Chinese Y.M.C.A. out of the "B" Division, and to leave King's College unmolested, as Mr. Wong neatly expresses it, would more or less defeat the idea of having the Chinese "Y" in the senior division. It would still leave one team which is known to be much too strong for the standard of play in the "B" Division, and if one, why not two? Those members of the public who know the position only from what they have heard or read, may be puzzled as to why such a situation has arisen, and may feel that the Badminton Association is to blame for it. But this is not so. When the league was constituted for the current season, Chinese Y.M.C.A. and King's College were new teams to apply for admission. Of the former practically nothing was known, except that at the close of last season they played a friendly match with Sailors and Soldiers Home, who finished bottom of the league, and beat them. Of King's College it was known that S. P. Chan and H. T. Woo, both senior players last season, were included in the team, but it was understood that the rest were beginners. On this information had to be decided whether these teams should play in the "A" or "B" Division. Both applied for admission to the "B" and because of this, and lack of knowledge as to their playing strength, they were permitted to compete in that division.

Object of the

"B" Division

ONE of the main reasons for splitting up last year's one league into two divisions was to give the inferior teams a chance of playing on more or less equal terms, thus stimulating real and desirable competitive spirit. It has now been discovered that owing to circumstances



"He's Bigger And Better Than Tiger Daula"

PRESS TRIBUTE TO GANDA SINGH, WRESTLER, NOW IN HONGKONG

Latest member of the Grunt and Groan Brigade (wrestlers to you) to invade Hongkong is Ganda Singh, man-mountain, who has been reducing most of America's mat artists to pulp during the last few years.

This dark skinned giant, a portion of whom you see in the accompanying picture, is looking around for somebody to fight, tough enough to look at the gentleman, one wonders why anybody should wish to entertain such a foolish notion. However, there it is. Ganda Singh is willing to meet all comers, though if U.S. and Canadian press notices are any guide to his form, he will be a big attraction to Colony wrestling fans, and promoters should get busy in presenting him to the public.

FASTEAST RACEHORSE GOES TO STUD

Solerina Leaves Cottrill Stable For Newmarket

LONDON. Solerina, the fastest racehorse in training this season, has gone to stud. She left H. L. Cottrill's stable at Lambourn for Newmarket.

Solerina, who is a four-year-old mare by Söldeniss out of Sweet Well, won eight races during her career. She ran only once as a two year old.

Her successes this season, included the Steward's Cup at Goodwood, in which race she carried 8st. 11 lb., and the Challenge Stakes at Newmarket.

After she won the Goodwood sprint her trainer described her as nearly as good as Irish Elegance.

Two teams have got into the division, whose playing strength is such that they are destroying the fundamental aim of the division. This is why, I think, the Badminton Association has the right to expect such a gesture as has been made by Chinese Y.M.C.A. and not only from this club, but from King's College. There is no question of forcing either or both of these teams to venture into the "B" Division. It will have to be a voluntary offer from King's College to do so.

This is the opinion of "Veritas" and the Chinese Y.M.C.A. but we do not know what the Badminton Association has to say in the matter. Yours etc., P. H. Wong, For the Chinese Y.M.C.A. badminton team.

LEAGUE CRICKET

The following is the Civil Service Cricket team to play the Indian R.C. at Shantoupo on Saturday next. A. F. Kerr (Captain), B. C. Hawkins, J. E. Richardson, W. H. Colledge, R. H. Griffiths, G. R. Sayer, D. Macmillan, R. M. Wood, J. Barron, H. J. Cruttwell, and N. J. Bobbington.

By "Veritas"

Our Daily Golf Hint

Generally speaking, iron shots, and particularly the shorter iron shots, are played too quickly, and there is far too much hurry at the turning point of the swing.

—James Braid.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT

K.C.C. Mixed Doubles Finalists

FINCHER AND MRS. GOODWIN BEATEN

A.E.P. Guest and Miss Madge Griffiths will have S. A. Gray and Miss Alison Mackenzie as their opponents in the final of the Kowloon Cricket Club handicap mixed doubles tournament.

Yesterday Gray and Miss Mackenzie, playing from owe 13.3, beat E. C. Fincher and Mrs. F. Goodwin (owe 20) 6-1 6-3, in the semi-final round.

The winners were not seriously extended, and played confident tennis to win. Fincher was scarcely up to his best form, and actually failed to win a service game in the first set.

Neither of the finalists in this competition have lost a set in reaching the ultimate stage. Their respective handicaps are: Guest and Miss Griffiths owe 10.3, Gray and Miss Mackenzie owe 13.3.

Charity Football On Sunday

FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER FUND

An important charity football match is being played at the Hongkong F.C. on Sunday afternoon at 3.30.

Teams from the Government Civil Medical Corps will meet in a friendly engagement, for which admission will be charged. The proceeds to be devoted to the Government Civil Hospital Christmas Fund.

Sir William Hornell has kindly consented to kick-off and it is hoped there will be a large attendance to lend support to such a deserving cause.

As a result of this match changes have been made in the venues of some of the Association's matches. The Junior Shield match between Kowloon Chinese and South China, which was to have been played on the Club ground at 2.15 p.m. on Sunday, will be played at Caroline Hill at the same time, while Kowloon Chinese v. Kowloon first division match also scheduled for the Club ground on Sunday at 4 o'clock will be played at Caroline Hill, following the Junior Shield tie.

LOTS OF FUN AND AMUSEMENT

In The Annual Ewo Handicap

As is customary, the "Ewo" Handicap provided a lot of fun and amusement and the assistance of several "black letters" jockeys was needed to steady the chargers while moving out to the distance handicap mark. As a matter of fact, one of the placed ponies had his face on the wrong side of the course when the red flag went down while another was waltzing.

Punters were in a quandary as to their selections and eventually Popular Star (L. G. Frost), Sincawai (D. L. Newbigging) and Young Chap (E. Butler) were made warm favourites. These three let the public down badly.

The field was not so strong out when entering the straight, but Jack Scott (G. H. Gomperz), who had a start of 200 yards, was well to the front. He won beating The Coot (F. S. Nicholls) by two lengths while many lengths behind came Kung aby ridden by G. Hill. After the race, a presentation of souvenirs to the first three jockeys was made in the Hon. Mr. Paterson's presence while Mr. Butler was recipient of a huge brown wooden spoon with the Hong's colours for being last on Young Chap.

RUSH AT REFEREE

There was also a rush towards the referee, Mr. G. C. Denton, of Northamton.

One of the Chelsea team on arrival at Paddington said to the Sunday Dispatch:

"Some of the crowd attempted to strike Mr. Denton, but we were prevented by two of the Chelsea players, Miller and Barber, who clasped hands and did their best to keep the angry men back."

Mr. Leslie Knighton, Chelsea's manager, refused to comment upon the incident except to say that the annoyance was not directed at the Chelsea players.

"In fact, Chelsea were cheered by the crowd when they left the field," he added.

A DAY OF SURPRISES AND GOOD DIVIDENDS

MR. BLACK STILL TOPS LIST OF WINNING JOCKEY

BAD START

BY RAGING HOT FAVOURITE

CAUSES LOSS OF RACE

A bad start was responsible for the failure of the raging hot favourite Derby Day in the Coogee Handicap over five furlongs, and being a sprint event, the gap was too much for the mare to close on the leader Australian Boy who jumped to the front when the starting-gate was released.

It was about a year ago that Mr. Ralph broke his collar bone over the sticks at Fanling and the return of the St. Andrew's "ball" started to roll in the opening event, the "Ewo". Handicap, when a most appropriate pony's name "Jock Scott" romped home to hand out \$109.50 for a win and the afternoon's sport closed with New Star paying \$25.00 to annex the Crieff Handicap (second section).

Although no record time was established, The Hotham Handicap (five furlongs) for "B" class Australian ponies was run in 1.03 whereas in the "A" class event, the Coogee Handicap, Australian Boy, who was 15 lbs. under the scale of weight, won the race in 1.03.3/5. Double Finesse, who won the Hotham Handicap, had four pounds of lead over the weight for inches, while the mare's time was three-fifths of a second outside of the record held by Strathroy a creditable performance. Punters take a note of this!

The most successful jockey was the Scotch rider Mr. Donald Black who steered Australian Boy and Shamrock to victory though neither of his mounts were much fancied by the public. However by riding two winners, Mr. Black has consolidated his position as leading jockey of the year and he has now just one win, more than his nearest rival Mr. H. C. Ph. The position of jockeys who have ten wins and over since January 1, is as follows:

Mr. Black 25 wins
Mr. P. P. Botelho 11 ..
Mr. N. Delitz 22 ..
Mr. L. G. Frost 18 ..
Mr. S. Y. Liang 12 ..
Mr. H. C. Ph. 24 ..

Messrs. Chiu Ki-fun, Drysdale, Ho Pak-ming and C. T. Kwok rode their maiden race in the novice event and the last named has the marking of a good jockey. It was no doubt a happy day for Mr. C. L. Gregory to break his "duck" in piloting Mrs. Penrice's Wadebridge to win the Comic Handicap for "D" class Chinaman and it was left to King's Lead and Ribble to fight out the issue. After the mile standard, Ribble gave up leaving King's Lead alone to win in easy fashion by three clear lengths.

It was the biggest field of the afternoon, there being no less than 10 starters and was a novice event. Diggers came back from Fanling especially for Mr. Hairs to ride but he could do no better than a third place.

Cavalcade, Sylvandale and Victoria Hall made the running, but the pace was so fast that they petered out before entering the straight and finished in the ruck. The winner Wadebridge was well handled by Mr. Gregory and he certainly came through at the right moment to clinch the issue by a length. Night View, who was carrying top-weight, ran a good second.

Mr. V. T. Fung rode a clever race on Mr. Reidy's New Star to win the last event, the Crieff Handicap (second section) for "C" class China ponies, the dividend being \$25.00 for a win.

Time (Mr. Frost) the hot favourite finished down the street while Royal Highness gave a very disappointing display. Cash Sweep ticket No. 587 which drew New Star received a handsome first prize of \$3,154.00.

UNDERPAID ENGLISH GOLF PROS.

(By G.W.R. Smith)

The £2,000 a year mentioned as the all-in value of the golf professionals' job at Sunningdale, shortly to become vacant, would not make Hagen, Saracen, or a number of other American stars turn green with envy, but to the vast majority of British professionals it must seem like wealth importunate.

I have the highest authority for stating that a pic cent. of the professionals in the country, after paying their expenses, have £150 or less a year to live on.

The average successful player who makes a fair show in tournaments, plays in a few exhibitions, and has some reputation as a teacher, earns £2,000 to £4,000 a year.

It is only when golfers attain Ryder Cup status that their incomes rise above the four-figure mark.

Most professionals are paid on the retainer basis. The remainder of their income is drawn from sales of their shops and lessons. Retainers vary from £1 to £3 a week. Only the top-rank players get more than £5.

The smaller clubs want their pros

THE ST. ANDREW'S STAKES

King's Lead Winner

VERY EASILY

As anticipated, Pontiac Bay and Sadko refused to accept the weight allotted to them in the main event, the St. Andrew's Stakes over the Derby course, and Mr. Grayburn's Ribble, which won this race last fall, finished second to the winner King's Lead by three lengths. The exclusion of the "A" class China ponies from this classic event was much appreciated by the members of the betting public, for every nay was well supported in the parl-mutuel. The following figures will no doubt interest punters:

	Win	Place
Bright View	466	348
Dawn Star	514	438
Harvest View	211	150
King's Justice	178	167
King's Lead	700	525
Ribble	396	326
Rose-Queen	201	225
Total	2,702	2,188

It will be seen from the above that every pony came in for a fair share of betting while Dawn Star was given preference over Bright View and Ribble, in spite of the eight pounds over-weight, had 300 backers. There is no doubt that any race with even distribution of the poundage will always attract the public to try their luck.

However, when the gate flew up the first to lead was Harvest View followed by King's Justice, Bright View, Dawn Star and the rest in close attendance. There was no change in the order of running as the steeds passed the judge's box for the first time, but, at the half-a-mile post, Bright View was to the fore with Harvest View, Ribble, Dawn Star and King's Lead in the rear.

Coming down the hill Harvest View was labouring while Dawn Star moved up to second position and King's Lead and Ribble were going on. Bright View was well beaten at the distance post and it was left to King's Lead and Ribble to fight out the issue. After the mile standard, Ribble gave up leaving King's Lead alone to win in easy fashion by three clear lengths.

It may not be known that it was Mr. Penrice's third St. Andrew's Stakes, the other two having been Spotted Star in 1924 and 1925, and also Mr. Lee Frost's third riding honour.

A GOOD RACE AND A HOT PACE IN HOTHAM HANDICAP

A good race was seen in the Hotham Handicap for "B" class Australian ponies over five furlongs and it was run in pretty hot pace. As soon as the fence was raised, Double Finesse jumped to the front with Centre Court, Ranger, Honey and Zodiac following. Although a spirited challenge was issued by Ranger and Honey for the home stretch, Double Finesse was too good over this short distance and she won the event in 1.03, three-fifths of a second outside the record time. The second stanza was covered in 24.4/5 seconds.

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AUSTRALIAN CRICKET WAS
SPLIT FROM TOP TO
BOTTOM IN 1911England Regained "Ashes"
Against All Hopes

Australia had won now twice in succession and interest raged high over the team that went out from England in the summer of 1911/12. Australian cricket was still in high fettle. Although the shadow of the great controversy which was to follow upon this tour and which split Australian cricket from top to bottom must have been apparent as a small cloud upon the horizon, yet the general consensus of opinion in Australia was that their side would be as strong as ever a side had been.

And indeed perhaps it was—expected weakness in the attack. Let us first consider the side here I must confess that I find myself in a great difficulty, for the 1913 Wisden, which deals with this tour, is listed somewhere about five guineas and I have not been able to locate a copy in the Colony; nor can I discover "England vs. Australia," Warner's own version of the games. I am therefore compelled to fall back on Aliham (who does not particularize) and some casual remarks in Warner's "My Cricketing Life," which some of my readers may recall appearing in the pages of the earlier "Cricketers."

THE AUSTRALIAN TEAM

So far as I can make out the Australian team was as follows:—Clem Hill, (Captain) Victor Trumper, Warwick Armstrong, Ransford, Birdsley, Macartney, (I think), Minnett (of New South Wales), and Carter; as bowlers, Cotter, W. S. Whitty (South Australia) and H. V. Hordern (New South Wales).

Of this side however the skipper Clem Hill and Trumper were undoubtedly past their best but Armstrong was a veteran at his best and the new school of Ransford, Birdsley and I think Macartney—though if he was playing he never crept into major print (as I said, I was short of reference books) were definitely arrived.

But it was the bowling that was lacking if anything, Cotter had not been a master of length and he ad now lost the extra yard or two of pace which covered this fall and made him so dangerous. He was dropping from this class of fast bowlers to that of those who are by courtesy called fast, but are really only medium. Whitty was a left-handed swinger but he failed to do much good.

It is strange that Saunders remains one of the few really good left handed bowlers that Australia ever produced. H. V. Hordern however was a very different proposition. In 1907 he had come to England with the team of the University of Pennsylvania, who sent an eleven to England to take on, principally, the Public Schools. He had even then shown signs of being a very good bowler and by 1911/12 had matured into a googly merchant of surprising accuracy, with the priceless ability of "flitting the ball!"

WARNER'S TEAM

We come now to team which was sent out to Australia by the M.C.C. We took special pains to select the strongest possible side. C. B. Fry was originally selected as captain and he was then in great form. Unfortunately private affairs prevented his going. It is an interesting point of speculation as to what our two great amateur batsmen, Fry and Jackson, might have done had they ever batted upon those wonderful Australian wickets. We shall never know!

Enning Fry, the obvious choice of captain was "Plum" Warner and with that team went J.W.H.T. Douglas, F. R. Foster, S. F. Barnes, J. B. Hobbs, W. Rhodes, E. J. Smith, F. E. Woolley and J. W. Hearne. These nine players, I believe, played in all the tests. The remainder of the side were G. Gunn, Hitch, C. P. Mead, Vine, Strudwick, Irromonger and Kinness.

I have been unable to discover the exact names of all the players in test matches. I fancy however that Mead and Gunn usually played. One must also recall the name of T. Pavley who as manager of the team did an enormous amount to produce all its activities with an entire absence of friction.

It was indeed, with the exception of Fry and Spooner, about the best side which could have been chosen, but after the first match, when South Australia was completely defeated, a heavy blow fell upon it. Warner, after scoring 151 in this first match, fell dangerously ill and he took no further part in the cricket of the tour although from his sick bed he worked untiringly upon the strategy of the game with Johnny Douglas whom he appointed as acting captain.

It is well known that Douglas did not settle down at once, but after we had lost the first Test he came into his own.

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Brisbane, Dec. 10.—G. O. Allen, the English captain is suffering from knee trouble, and it is believed that he has water on the knee.

He is going to Sydney to see a doctor, but it is almost certain that he will be fit to play in the second test match.—Reuters.

LAST WEEK'S
RACES

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while the last quarter was galloped in 24.3/8 and Double Fine was carrying four pounds over the weight for inches as per scale.

Considering that the track was not a straight five furlongs run, it was undoubtedly a fine achievement and credit must also be given to the jockey for negotiating the apex.

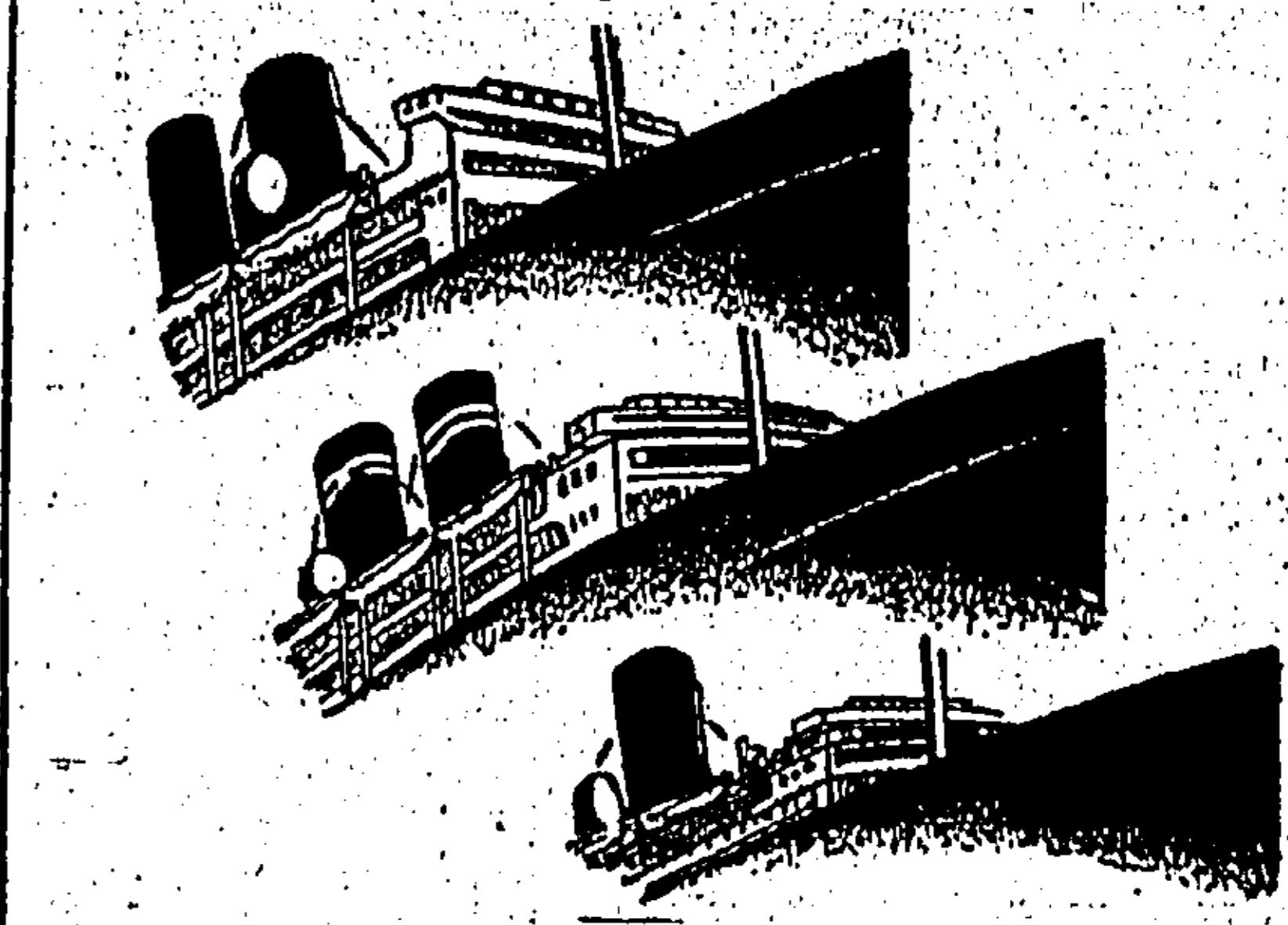
Six Ponies
Finish Neck
To NeckIN THE CRIEFF
HANDICAP

The finish of the Crieff Handicap (first section) over seven furlongs for "C" class Chin chin ponies was a tribute to the official handicapper Mr. C. M. Alves, for six steeplets out of a field of seven runners passed the wire and in a line. The judges took a few minutes to deliberate the result and when Soldier of Peace's number figured first in the frame the decision was received in dead silence.

Reference was made in this column last week to Bootal Bay's win in the Lusitano Cup at the Annual Carnival. This stallion, under the guidance of Mr. "Pinky" Botelho, recently reproduced his big meeting form, but Soldier of Peace won by a fraction of an inch and Soldier of China lost to Bootal Bay by a short head. Fourth with the same margin came Pontine Bay (Mr. Frost) who was well backed to the tune of over a thousand tickets while Bistre, who was running under new silks instead of Lee's dark green and white looped sleeves, finished fifth. It was undoubtedly the best event of the afternoon and every jockey rode a hard race.

POPE IMPROVING

Rome, Dec. 10.—His Holiness the Pope got up for a short time this morning and walked to his study, but he has been medically advised to remain in his private apartment until Christmas. Reuter's Bulletin Service.

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SPARE MOMENT PAGE

How long will Public Schools survive? Eleven headmasters out of twelve have no anxiety about this question.

BESIDES the people who make jokes about the "old school tie," there are people who seriously believe that the public school has outlived its function.

Yet, out of a dozen heads of public schools who have just written chapters of a book about them, Mr. Roxburgh, the head of Stowe—the youngest public school—is the only one who sees the possibility that they may not be "destined to survive much longer."

The "public" schools came into existence, as Mr. Roxburgh points out, because there were no local schools giving anything more than a smattering of education. People who wanted their sons educated, and could find the money, had to send them to boarding schools, or have tutors at home.

Nowadays secondary schools are everywhere, and Mr. Roxburgh realises that "ultimately the country will be able to do without boarding schools if it wishes to."

"Nobody can deny," says Mr. Roxburgh, "that the ordinary boarding school brings up its boys in a highly artificial environment. They see so little of their female contemporaries that to a few of them a woman will seem a remote and unreal creature for years afterwards.

Nevertheless, Mr. Roxburgh is a staunch defender of the public school. It has the advantage of being in the country, it avoids tiring journeys every day, and it enables the boys to spend the afternoon in the playing-fields. It provides an entirely new experience compared with home life.

It is interesting to note that two of the twelve Heads who dwell with most emphasis on the need of religion in the public school are Mr. M. L. Jacks, of Mill Hill (Congregational), and the Rev. V. P. Nevill, O.S.B., of Ampleforth (Roman Catholic).

Spiritual Needs

IT is mainly the young, observes Mr. Jacks, who acclaimed the dictatorships of the authoritarian States.

"But," he adds, "it is doubtful if any of these dictatorships is really adequate for human needs, and I suggest that the time is ripe for establishing in the minds of young people the authority of God."

The Benedictine Head of Ampleforth says: "I believe that the object of our schools is to produce good and able men to serve God and their country. That cannot be done without religion."

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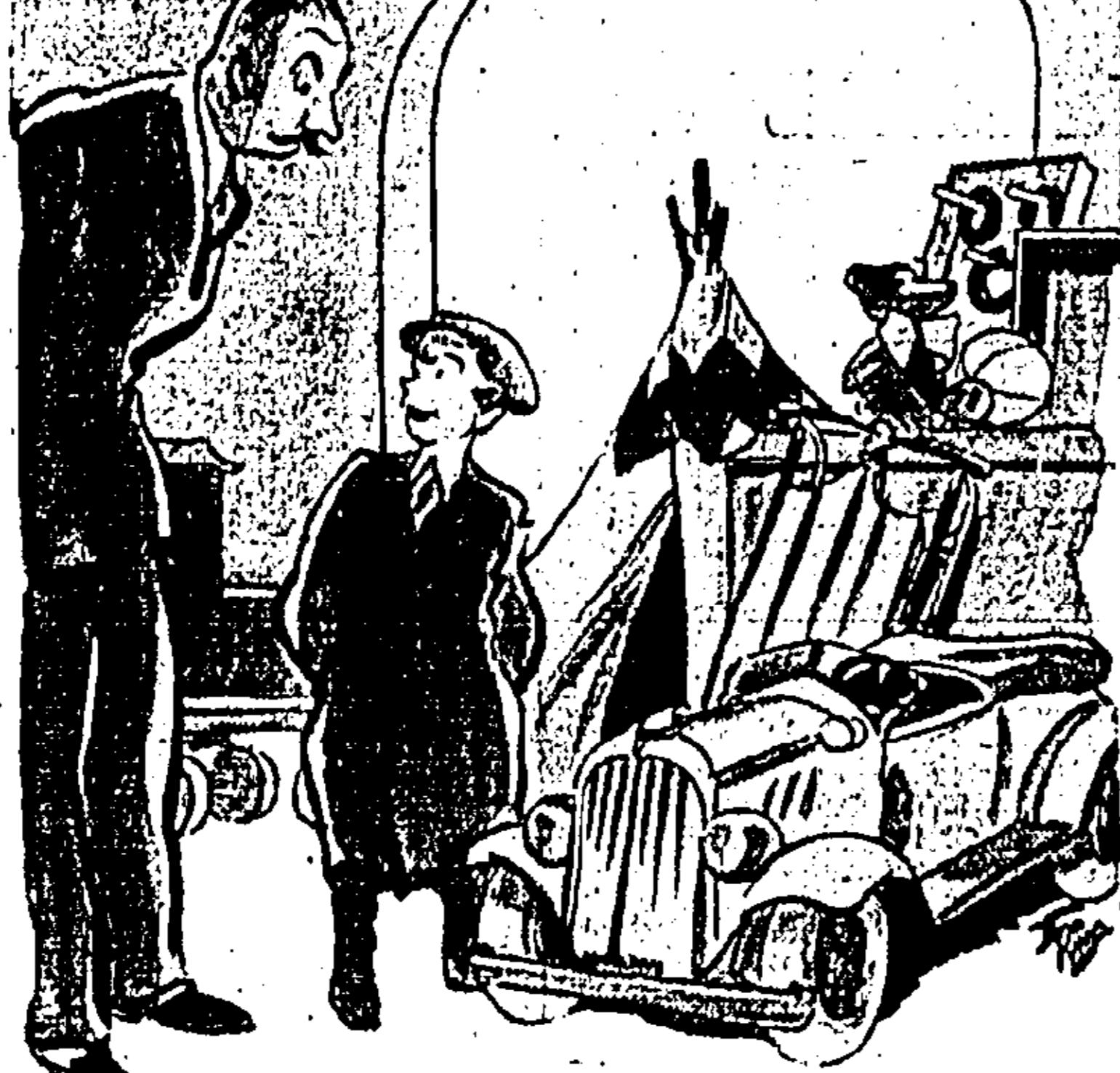
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Examinations

SEVERAL of the Heads assault the school certificate, which has standardised examinations in recent years.

On the other hand, the Head of Clifton, Mr. Whately, holds that a school certificate exams "compel a master to think of the boy at the bottom of the form as well as, if not better, than at the top."

One of the faults of the present system, says Mr. Whately, is the failure to insist enough in the early stages of education that, however much we sugar the pill, the young have got to learn to master what is at first uninteresting. Life does not consist in doing only what one likes doing."

The claims of music find a supporter in Mr. R. Roydon Richards, Head of Glasgow Academy.

Mr. Hugh Lyon, Head of Rugby, says that he never fails to be thankful for the privilege of living with and trying to befuddle that bewildering, exasperating, and fascinating creature, the human boy."

Quiet Corner

HOW the stray creature found its way here is a mystery. It was first noticed by its forlorn crying from the dell beside the garden, before it flickered like a pale ghost among the tall plants in the dusk.

Morning showed it to be a white and tabby cat, hungry and desperately anxious to be friendly, but a little uncertain of the welcome it might get. It was obviously a cat which had been petted and well cared for in some previous home.

Emboldened by a first, ravenous meal, the cat took up a position beside the porch and begged for admittance indoors.

Finding no encouragement in this, it made its bed in the woodshed, and there it has sheltered for days.

Coming out for food by day, it helps to ward off rats and mice from nearby stores at night. We may not know how it arrived here, but we are certain it will not go away.

COUNTRYMAN.

PARIS took a menacing step forward. "Condemned villain! I do apprehend thee. Obey and go with me for thou must die."

"I must indeed," replied Romeo, "and therefore came I hither. I beseech thee, youth, put not another sin upon my head by urging me to fury. His voice deepened. "Stay not," he begged earnestly. "Be gone. Live. And hereafter say a madman's mercy bade thee run."

Romeo drew his rapier in answer.

"I do defy thy conjurations," he said.

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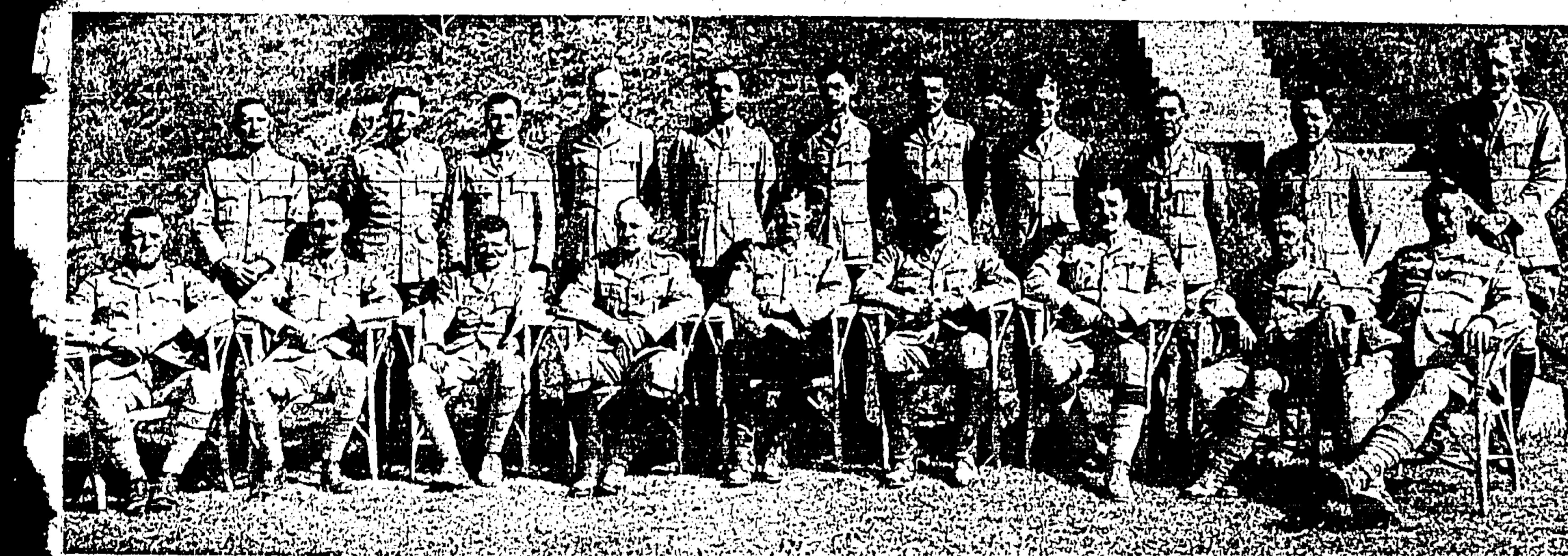
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EQUINE SPORTS CLUB MEETING: VOLUNTEERS IN CAMP

Start of the Balloon Race at the Equine Sports' Club meeting last week-end.—*Mee Cheung*.

General Committee of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, taken on closing day.

Mr. J. C. Gill taking a jump at the Equine Sports' Club meeting.—*Mee Cheung*.

Officers of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps at Fanling Camp.

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The old gods are back—and how they let themselves go! Roman gods, grecian deities, as a great crew of funsters lead the laugh parade!

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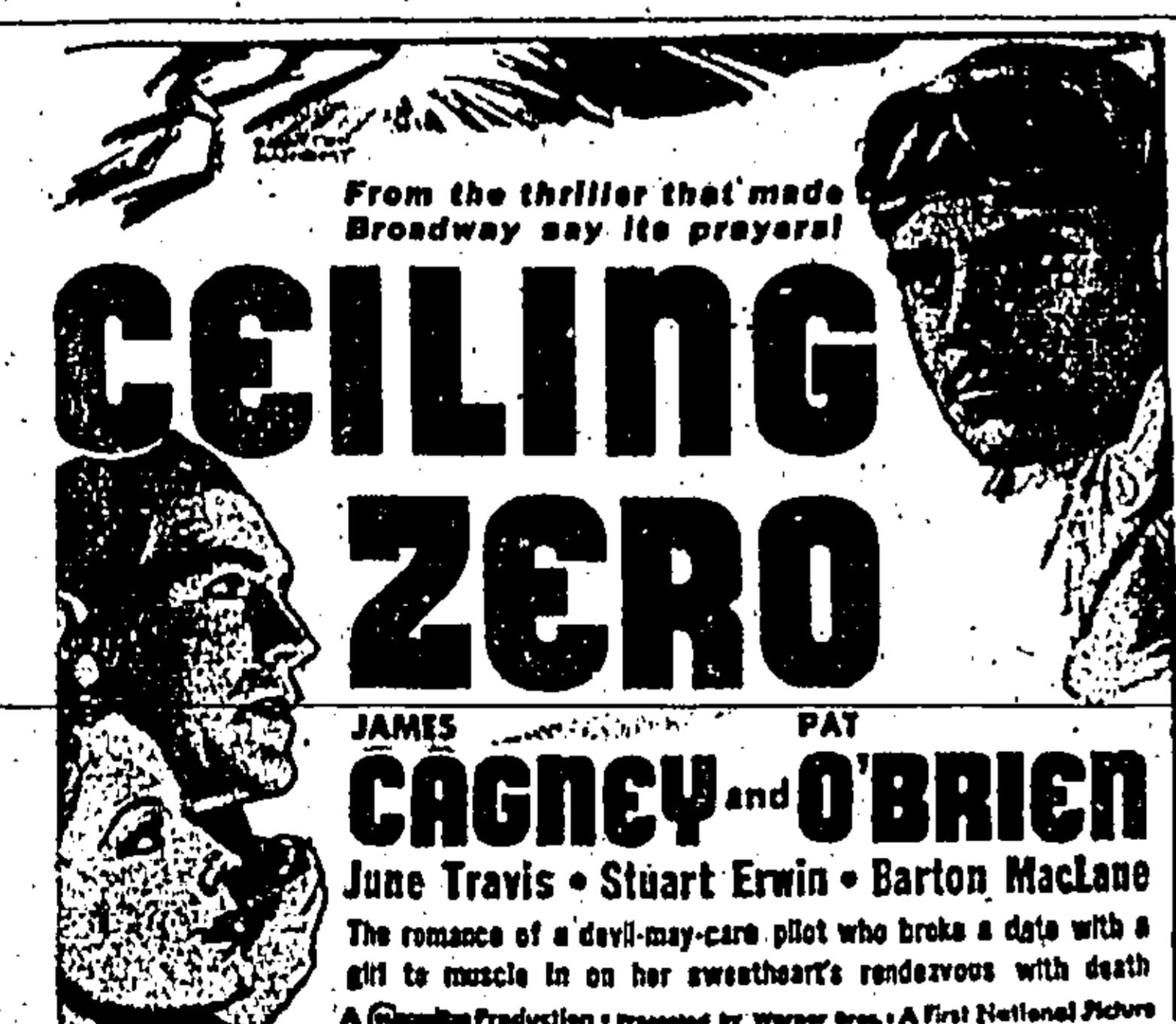
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36-TON ATLANTIC AIR BOATS

And New 42-Seater Liners for Imperial Airways

From A Special Correspondent
IMPERIAL Airways are making

two important developments.
They are planning 36-ton flying
boats able to take passengers, mail
and freight non-stop across the

Atlantic from Ireland to New-
foundland on the London-New
York service.

They are having built twelve
280 m.p.h. 42-seater landplanes to
replace the 38-seater Hannibal

class on the European and Indian
routes.

In both classes of machine the
biplane policy has been abandoned.
Boats and landplanes will be mono-
planes. The monoplane, with its
clean design, high speed, and absence

of rigging problems, is the more
economical type.

The new boats will be twice as
heavy as the present series of
Empire boats nearing completion at
Rochester. Each will weigh about

80,000lb. fully laden and will cost

about £80,000.

Designs have been prepared; ten-
ders will be put out soon.

20 PASSENGERS

The boats will require up to 8,000
horsepower to enable them to reach a
speed of 200 m.p.h.

About 60,000lb. of their weight
will be accounted for by the struc-
ture, engines, instruments and fittings.
Fuel will weigh about 20,000lb.

The crew will consist of two pilots,

a navigator, a wireless operator, a
purser and two stewards. Their
combined weight would absorb about

1,200lb.

But up to 20 passengers, weighing

some 3,400lb. between them, could

be taken with the same comfort now

provided in the Empire boats. A

very fair mail load will be carried,
as well as profitable freight.

The Atlantic air route is to be
opened next May for experimental
flights from the Caledonia, a 40,000lb.

Empire flying boat.

Experimental flights are likely to
continue through 1938 and at the end
of that year the first of the 80,000lb.

boats will be ready.

THE LANDPLANES

The new landplanes will be
known as the "E" class. The first

will be named the Ensign. They

will be the fastest four-engined air-
liners in the world and will carry a
crew of five.

Their total loaded weight will be
approximately 20 tons and a pay
load of from 3/4 to 5 tons will be

carried.

Their under-carriages will be the
largest in the world, and despite
their size, will be retractable. Special

tires are to be constructed for the
landing wheels.

Each passenger will have his own
armchair seat and a table for news-
papers and books.

There will be kitchens and a bar.

A picture of the famous Lion
Yard in the old Moorish Alhambra
Palace near Granada. This palace
is remarkable for its architectural
grace and beauty. So it has
been saved from the ravages of war.

Woman With £10,000 In Her Handbag AND £20,000 IN HER CABIN TRUNKS

A TINY, dark-skinned woman of 38 stood before
officials in the lounge of a liner when it docked at Til-
bury.

An interpreter asked her the
routine question for foreigners
"How much money have you?
Have you enough for your stay
here?"

The woman replied by opening
her handbag. It bulged with
English banknotes amounting to
between £10,000 and £15,000.

She sprang a further surprise on
the officials.

She told them that in her baggage
she had securities representing a
further £20,000.

And she and her twenty-year-old
son came ashore. They stayed at
the Savoy Hotel.

ASSASSINATED

The woman with the fortune was
Mme. Villamane Gomez, sister-in-
law of the late dictator of Venezuela,
Juan Vicente Gomez. Her husband
was assassinated in 1923.

Mme. Gomez had been staying at
Las Palmas, but after the Spanish
revolution she and her son decided to
come to London, though they speak no
English.

They brought their worldly wealth
with them.

A Venezuelan official in London
said to-a-press representative, "Since
the death of the president all mem-
bers of the Gomez family have fled
abroad. The president practically
owned Venezuela, but his properties
have now all been confiscated by the
Government."

Refreshments were served on
board. A smoking compartment
lay far'd. At a promenade
deck where passengers can stroll
and "sighse" from a row of port-
holes.

With bunks, the most luxurious
armchairs yet put into an airliner,
grey-blue furnishings, carpets, def-
stewards, Britain has produced a
magnificent machine. But some may
feel that it takes the thrill out of
flying.

One For Atlantic

Centaurus and 26 of her sisters will
carry the mails next year to India in
two and a half days, Capetown in
four days. The existing record by
plane to the Cape is three days six
hours, to Australia seven days.

One of the flying boats will not
be used on Eastern Empire routes.
Caledonia, standing alone on her slip-
way, is destined for Atlantic cross-
ing experiments, for which she has
extra fuel tanks.

MILLION MADE AFTER FARMER BEGAN IN DEBT

London, Dec. 4.

The story of how George Baylis, of
Berkshire, overcame early adversities
to become the largest farmer of
arable land and producer of barley
in England, was told by C. S. Orwin,
Director of the Oxford University
Agricultural Economics Research
Institute, in an address at King's
Lynn.

After six years of farming in
Berkshire, Baylis said, Baylis lost
£3,000 and in his search for some
other method of farming he came
upon the experiments at Rothamsted,
which proved that corn could
be grown with an application of
ammonia and phosphates. He made
a great success of it, and eventually
farmed 12,000 acres, half of which
he owned.

Except for a few working horses,
Baylis dispensed with animals, and
he obliterated villages and farm-
houses in building up his great hold-
ing.

He left a fortune of £247,000 when
he died—United Press.

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Let Yourself In for a
Wonderful Time!

A rousing sing with
the queen and king of
captivating rhythm!

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In the heart-storming
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The daring exploits of Secret Agents
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"Hell-Ship Morgan"

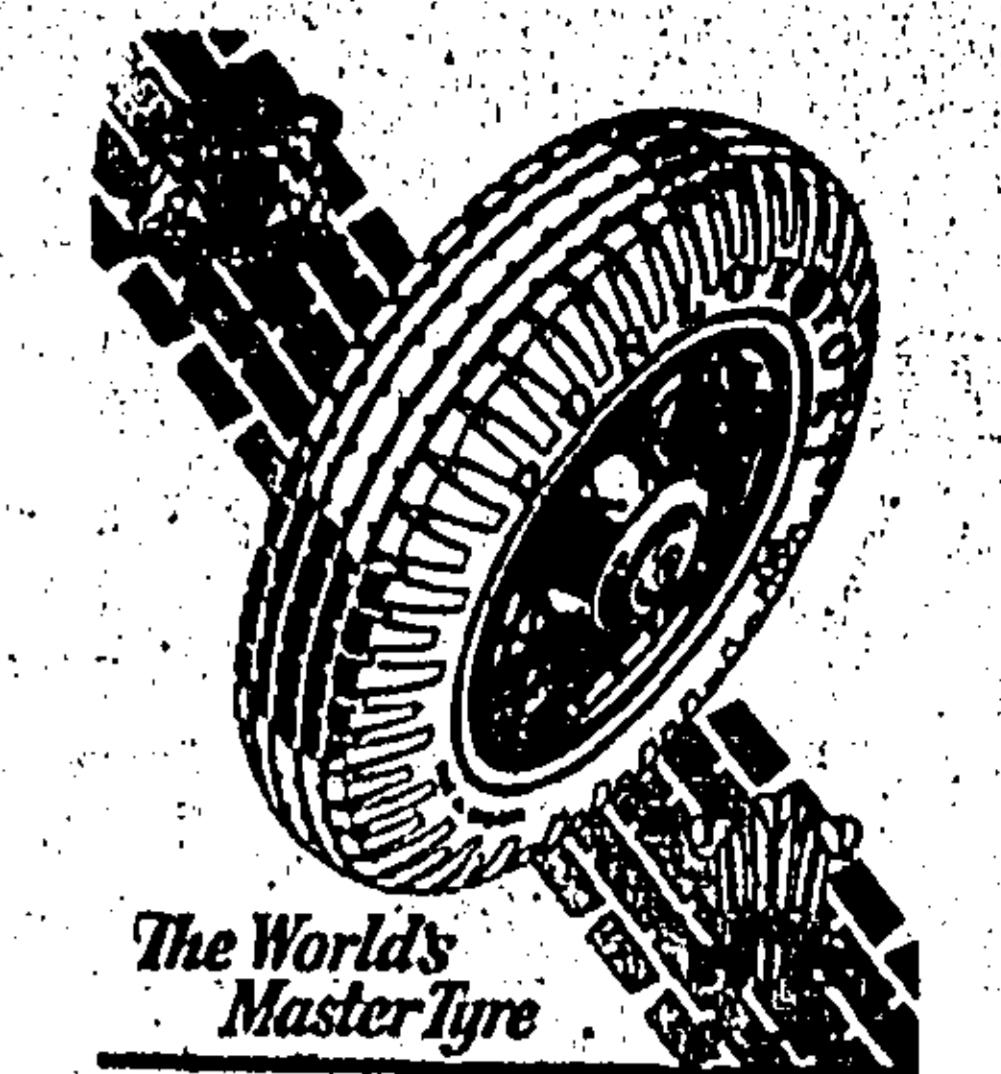
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LONDON GREETS NEW KING

RIVAL FACTIONS DEMONSTRATE THEIR LOYALTY

Throng Sings Anthem Outside Duke of York's Residence

DOWNING STREET MOB SHOUTS
"WE WANT EDWARD"

LONDON, DEC. 11.

LOYAL DEMONSTRATIONS WERE WITNESSED IN THE WEST END WHEN THE DUKE OF YORK RETURNED TO HIS PICCADILLY HOME LATE LAST NIGHT.

LARGE CROWDS COMPLETELY BLOCKED THE ROADWAY AND GREETED THE PRINCE WITH ROUNDS OF CHEERS. THE MAN WHO WILL BE KING TO-MORROW GRAVELY SALUTED THE CROWD BY RAISING HIS HAT SEVERAL TIMES.

AFTER THE DUKE OF YORK HAD ENTERED THE HOUSE THE CROWD SANG THE NATIONAL ANTHEM.

EVERY ROAD LEADING TO PICCADILLY WAS BLOCKED WITH CARS, TAXIS AND BUSES, WHILE THE DENSE CROWD OUTSIDE THE NEW KING'S HOME KEPT UP CONTINUOUS SHOUTS OF "WE WANT ALBERT," AND "LONG LIVE THE KING," SAYS REUTER.

Meanwhile, in Downing Street, police were dispersing a crowd, hostile to the Prime Minister and led by Facists, who shouted "We want Edward," "We want Baldwin dead or alive," "Down with Baldwin," "We want the workers' king," "Put it to the vote."

The crowd was 2,000 strong in Downing street, with a compact group of 150 men in the van, but it was broken up.

Singing "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow" and "Rule Britannia," the marchers reformed in the Mall and pushed through Admiralty Arch, stretching into lower Regent Street. It rapidly increased in size, the United Press adds.

It is reported that the Independent Labour Party—the extreme Leftist element, which is more vociferous than influential—has decided to introduce an amendment to the Abdication Bill, demanding a Referendum.

Colonel Josiah Wedgwood, the Independent M.P., has forecast a future "Edwardian Party," saying the people will drink a toast to "Edward—King Across the Water."

Dominions' Assent

However, the Dominions are united in accepting the abdication. In the House of Lords, Lord Halifax this afternoon stated that Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa had already assented to the necessary legislation, and that the Irish Free State will probably follow suit.

A crowd of at least ten thousand swarmed in front of Buckingham Palace all night long, singing the National Anthem and shouting: "We Want Albert," "We Want the King," and singing "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow."—United Press.

London Subdued

London, Dec. 10.

London was a subdued city tonight. Thousands of men and women eagerly snatched the newspapers from the sellers and read the news with grave faces and quietly went their ways.

A silence hung over the theatres, while conversations in restaurants was subdued as little groups (Continued on Page 4.)

KING MAY NEVER SEE ENGLAND AGAIN

EARLY MARRIAGE NOT IMPOSSIBLE
TO LIVE ON CONTINENT

London, Dec. 10.

King Edward sat hunched in a deep armchair in his country residence while the fateful words were being read in Parliament twenty miles away, stripping him of the crown and everything that goes therewith.

His brothers, the Duke of York and the Duke of Gloucester, visited him earlier in the afternoon, but displayed sympathetic consideration by leaving the abdicating monarch to his own fateful thoughts. They departed less than half an hour before Mr. Baldwin presented Edward's message to the House of Commons.

Once the King leaves England he may never again set foot on Empire soil, and will possibly never see his mother and some of his brothers again after his sorrowing farewell, although the Duke of Kent is likely to visit him occasionally to maintain family ties.

Where the King will go is at present a mystery, probably somewhere on the Continent, but not Canada.

There are indications that the Court may bring pressure in regard to the Simpson divorce before the scheduled date, April 27, and an early marriage of the King and Mrs. Simpson is therefore not impossible.

At 8 a.m. it will be broadcast for Australia, the Pacific and the Far East on GSP, GSO and GSB and at 11 a.m. Saturday for Malaya and the Far East on GSH, GSC and GSB.

At 2 p.m. Saturday the address

EMPIRE RALLIES TO HER PRINCES



The world watches to-day as Edward VIII, on the threshold of Coronation, steps down from the throne and his brother, the Duke of York, accepts the tremendous responsibility of ruling in his stead. Above are the four sons of the late King George, whose illustrious name the new monarch will bear when he is proclaimed King. Left, King Edward; right, centre, King George VI and his Queen Elizabeth; top inset, the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester; lower inset, the Duke and Duchess of Kent.

EMPIRE TEMPLE IS UNSHAKEN

But Urged to Rally To New Sovereign

London, Dec. 11.

"The price of renunciation astounds the world," declares the *Daily Telegraph* to-day, mourning the abdication of His Majesty King Edward VIII after only nine months of rule.

"The King, who had won so completely the affections of his people, might have asked them almost anything and they would have given it with both hands.

"But there is always something which duty must deny and it will be the abiding grief of thousands who loved the King that the one thing he asked was a marriage which seems necessary to his happiness, but which they judged would be disastrous to the Crown and realm.

"King Edward's case stands solitary and unique. The tragedy for the Empire is that the now broken column might well have been one of the stately pillars of the temple. But the temple itself still stands and, as we believe, the event will prove it unshakable."

Heavy Blow Has Fallen

"It would be idle to belittle the heinousness of the blow which has fallen on the British people and the British Empire. It is fortunate indeed that a prince so capable and so trustworthy is at hand to take up the royal burden so reluctantly laid down. For he will have to repair the hurt which has been suffered and re-

'MR. WINDSOR' GOING ABROAD

George VI To Be Proclaimed at Once

London, Dec. 10.

King Edward VIII will sign the Abdication Bill tomorrow night and will leave the country immediately. It is understood that he will renounce all his titles and be known as Mr. Windsor, but the new King may confer a dukedom on him.

The Accession Council will meet on Saturday morning and the Duke of York will be proclaimed King in the afternoon. It is understood that he will take the title of George VI, which is His Fourth and last Christian name.

No decision has yet been reached regarding the title that King Edward will take, and nothing has yet been decided regarding finances. The revenues from the Duchies of Lancaster and Cornwall will not be available to him but will pass to the new King. The Government may ask Parliament to make him an annual grant, but he may intimate that his private resources are adequate.

At the suggestion of Major Attlee, the House of Commons adjourned until 6 p.m. when the Abdication Bill was introduced. It will pass through all stages to-morrow. When the Bill is passed through both Houses the King will give his assent to it—his last act as King.

Both houses will meet on Saturday afternoon for the swearing-in, which will continue on Monday, when Parliament will receive a message from the new King and move the Address-in-Reply.

The accession meeting of the Privy Council will take place at St. James's Palace on Saturday morning and the proclamation of the new King will follow immediately. Reuter.

Parliamentary Routine

King Edward VIII has voluntarily renounced the Throne, for himself and his heirs, and a vast Empire has plunged into mourning for a great monarch lost. The Abdication Bill is before Parliament.

The King's message to Parliament, read to a packed House of Commons, and later to an equally crowded House of Lords, was delivered amid a tense silence. Men and women made no attempt to hide the grief they felt.

House Reassembles

London, Dec. 10.

Following a brief recess, the House of Commons reassembled.

The House of Commons was still packed with a tense throng when the House resumed at 6 p.m. G.M.T.

Major Attlee, leader of the Parliamentary Labour Party, rose immediately after the resumption amid cordial cheers.

He said that the occasion did not call for long and eloquent speeches. They had heard the message from the King with profound concern. The whole country had received the news with deep sorrow, and the King's subjects would feel a sense of personal loss.

Major Attlee paid a tribute to the King.

"No British monarch was better known to his subjects, both in Great Britain and throughout the Commonwealth," he said.

King Edward VIII, continued Major Attlee, was a monarch who had shared the people's joys and sorrows in the dark days of war. "We know of his ready sympathy with the suffering," he said, amid cheers.

They had all been thinking of some way of solving the problem, he went on.

Must Accept Decision

"We realised the great objection to every course that has been suggested, and hoped that it would not come to abdication," he continued. "The King, however, has made his decision, and we cannot do otherwise than accept it."

The wish of all his people is that he will have a long and happy life.

"The country has received a severe shock from which it will take time to recover. The position of anyone called upon to succeed to the Throne to-day is obviously one of great difficulty. It will be our endeavour to lighten that burden," he said.

Dominions Act

The Dominions have already acted with respect to King Edward's abdication. The Parliaments of Canada, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand have (Continued on Page 4.)

Pearl King Enshrines The Souls Of 50,000,000 Oysters



CONFIDED TO THE CARE OF BUDDHA

Isle of Pearls (Japan), Dec. 1.

THE souls of 50,000,000 oysters that have served to turn a macaroni maker into the pearl king of the Orient went to the bosom of Buddha on the Isle of Pearls to-day.

Kokichi Mikimoto began pearl culture many years ago, and now owns the most extensive oyster beds in the world. He is now 70 years old, and he believes in the tradition that everything that does good should be revered.

Already in Japan cats that give their skins for musical instruments, dogs that served their masters well, and horses are enshrined and their souls confided to Buddha.

Oysters which have produced pearls have certainly done good to Kokichi Mikimoto, so he conceived the idea of the ceremony whereby the souls of those that have made him a millionaire should receive due honour.

At his family shrine gathered Mikimoto's relatives, friends, employees, appraisers of gems, priests and musicians. And while the ceremony was carried out the first pearl an oyster ever made for Mikimoto lay on the altar.

As early as 1717 cultured pearls had been produced by the scientist Reimur, but it was Mikimoto who really put oysters to work. He abandoned his macaroni shop and in 1894 produced his first pearl.

Though it was not perfect, it was placed in the shrine, and to-day it is the "soul of souls" for the oyster family.

By 1910 perfect pearls were being produced in abundance, and by 1930 four million oysters were being bred annually in the beds of the Mie prefecture.

An Austrian big-game hunter Messany has constructed this camera-gun to use in an expedition to Canada. The apparatus is composed of a telescope-camera mounted on a gun.

63 BRIDES AGED 15

22 DIVORCED BEFORE 19

Berlin, Dec. 1.

THE number of girls I married at the ages of fifteen to sixteen in Germany last year was sixty-three, twice as many as a year before, one bride being under fifteen.

Marriages of girls aged sixteen to seventeen numbered 1,128, and of those aged seventeen to eighteen 4,383, one being a widow of seventeen.

Twenty-two marriages of women under nineteen were dissolved. There were three cases of quadruplets.—Central News.

Fifty New Sleuths for Britain's O.G.P.U.

FIFTY of the cleverest young detectives in the Metropolitan Police Force have been transferred to the Special Branch.

This section deals exclusively with spies and political agitators, and provides the personal guards for members of the Royal Family and statesmen.

This marks a decision by the Government to pay more serious attention in future to this branch of the work.

WATCH ON ALIENS
A number of the new men will be allocated to the duty of guarding the distinguished visitors who are coming from the Continent for the Coronation. Others will watch the ports for the arrival of suspected characters.

They do not concern themselves with ordinary criminal work but are the equivalent of the O.G.P.U. in Russia, without, of course, that body's tyrannical methods.

'ANT 25'—REDS' NEW 'PLANE

Moscow, Dec. 1.
ANT 25—a Soviet 'plane with balloon floats, whose range is claimed to be 7,500 miles, took off here to-day for Paris.

It will be shown at the 15th International Aviation Exhibition.

The machine is being piloted by Chikulov and Baidukov, with Belakov as navigation officer. They piloted the 'plane in a recent 6,550-mile non-stop flight for which they were made "Heroes of the Soviet Union."

The engine is claimed to run efficiently for 100 hours, for which period the wing tanks store enough petrol.—Reuter.

Two Japanese Admirals See War Possible

DO Preparations Along Yangtze Mean Threat To Japan?

SITUATION IS "TENSE BUT QUIET"

Outlook Is Described As Uncertain As Weather To-morrow

Ningasiki, Dec. 3.
Two Japanese Admirals to-day saw in alleged feverish Chinese preparations for war along the Yangtze a possibility that the Nanking Government might challenge Japan to a fight.

"While on the one hand, the Nanking Government is pretending that it wishes to settle all issues with Japan peacefully, on the other, it is strengthening land defences near Shanghai, Nanking and along the Yangtze," they said.

The speakers were Rear-Admiral Eiji Kondo, retiring commander of the Japanese special Naval Landing Party in Shanghai, and Rear-Admiral Seijiro Iwamura, chief of staff of the Third Fleet, stationed in Chinese waters.

TENSE BUT QUIET

Speaking alternately, the officers, who have been transferred for duty at the Yokosuka Naval Base after serving for more than a year in China, described the situation in Shanghai as "tense, but quiet."

Commenting on the outlook of Sino-Japanese relations, one of the Admirals said "it is like to-morrow's weather. You don't know what may happen."

CHINESE "EXCITED"

The attitude of the Chinese, he added, was hard to understand. "They seem to be as excited now as they were at the time of the Shanghai hostilities in 1932 and wild rumours are flying thick."

"We sincerely hope for peace," he continued, remarking that close co-operation existed among the Japanese naval, military and diplomatic representatives in China, who, he remarked, were "endeavouring day and night to bring about a peaceful settlement."—Domei.

SYDNEY, DEC. 1.
Thomas Coughlan, a Sydney boot-maker, who accidentally broke his false teeth, carved a new set in three months from an elephant's tusk.—Reuter.



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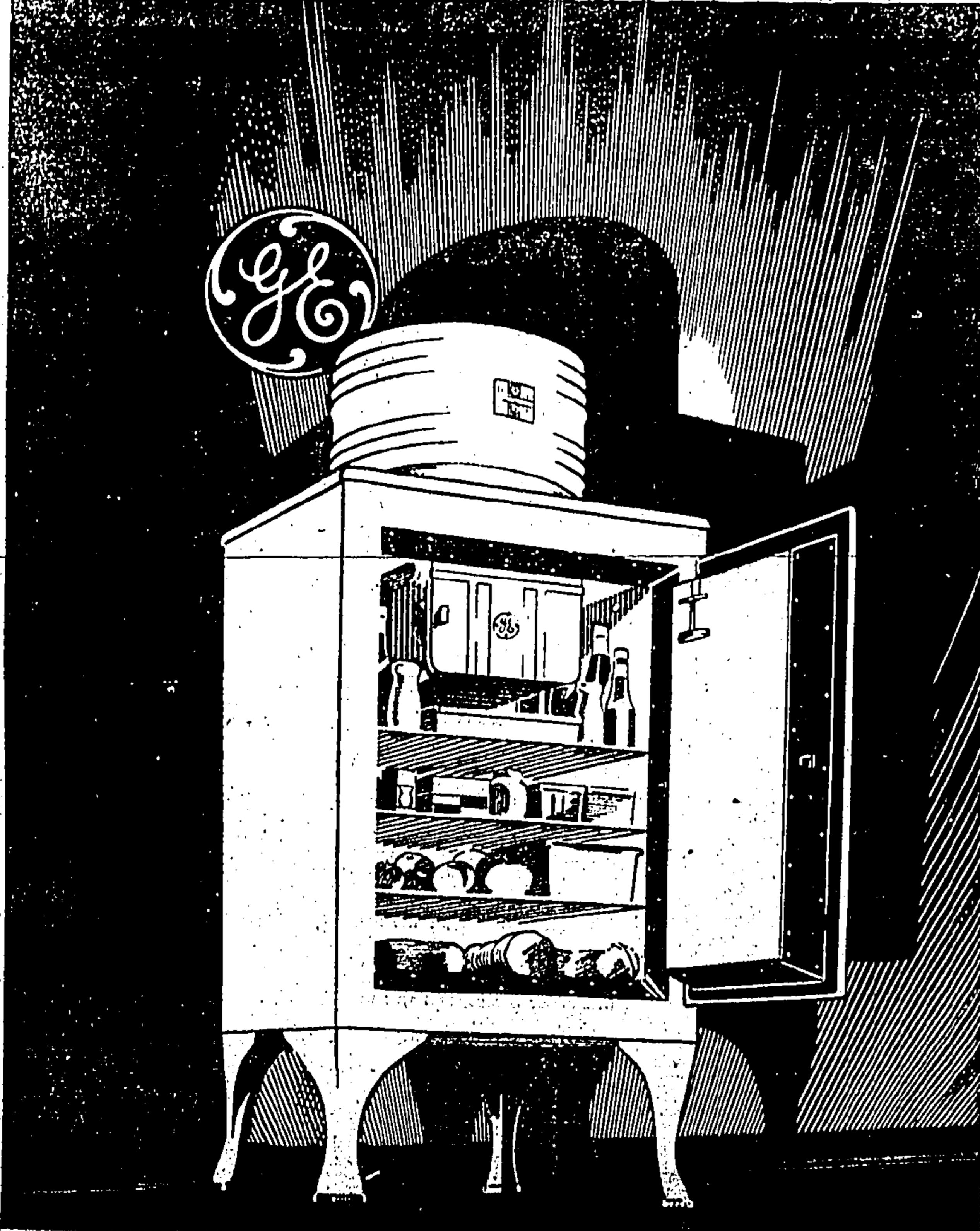
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Extracts From The "Telegraph" Files

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The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 11½d./16d.

The death occurred of Mrs. Atkinson, wife of Mr. R. L. Atkinson, of the Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.

The head office of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., was transferred from London to Hongkong.

Members of the Kowloon Cricket Club approved of a scheme for a new lay-out of the Club's grounds, at a cost of \$3,400.

H.E. the Governor (Sir Henry May) laid the memorial stone of the new Mongkoktau Harbour of Refuge.

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Hongkong, 11th December, 1936.

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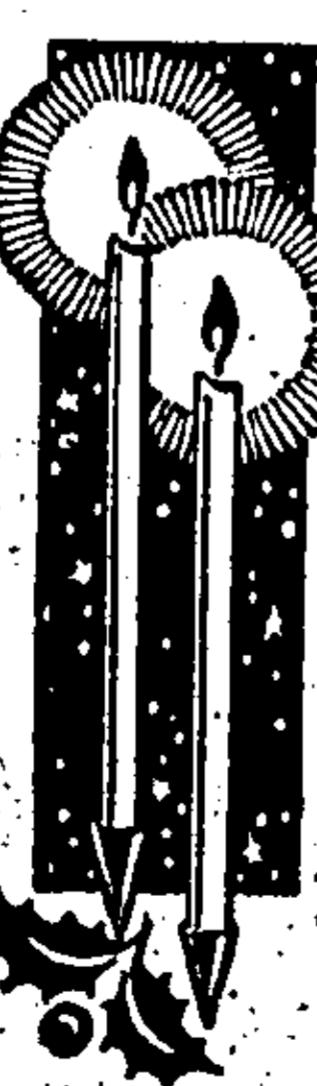
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AUSTRALIAN CRICKET WAS
SPLIT FROM TOP TO
BOTTOM IN 1911England Regained "Ashes"
Against All Hopes

Australia had won now twice in succession and interest raged high over the team that went out from England in the summer of 1911/12. Australian cricket was still in high fettle. Although the shadow of the great controversy which was to follow upon this tour and which split Australian cricket from top to bottom, must have been apparent as a small cloud upon the horizon, yet the general consensus of opinion in Australia was that their side would be as strong as ever a side had been.

And indeed perhaps it was—expected weakness in the attack. Let us first consider the side and here I must confess that I find myself in a great difficulty, for the 1913 Wisden, which deals with this tour, is listed somewhere about five guineas and I have not been able to locate a copy in the Colony, nor can I discover "England vs. Australia," Warner's own version of the games. I am therefore compelled to fall back on Altham (who does not particularise) and some casual remarks in Warner's "My Cricketing Life," which some of my readers may recall appearing in the pages of the earlier "Cricketers".

THE AUSTRALIAN TEAM

So far as I can make out the Australian team was as follows:—Clem Hill, (Captain) Victor Trumper, Warwick Armstrong, Ransford, Bardsley, Macartney (I think), Minnett (of New South Wales), and Carter; as bowlers, Cotter, W. S. Whitty (South Australia), and H. V. Hordern (New South Wales).

Of this side however the skipper Clem Hill and Trumper were undoubtedly past their best but Armstrong was a veteran at his best and the new school of Ransford, Bardsley and I think Macartney—though if he was playing he never crept into major print (as I said, I was short of reference books) were definitely arrived.

But it was the bowling that was lacking if anything. Cotter had never been a master of length and he had now lost the extra yard or two of pace which covered this falling and made him so dangerous. He was dropping from this class of fast bowlers to that of those who are by courtesy called fast, but are really only medium. Whitty was a left-handed swinger but he failed to do much good.

It is strange that Saunders remains one of the few really good left handed bowlers that Australia ever produced. H. V. Hordern however was a very different proposition. In 1907 he had come to England with the team of the University of Pennsylvania, who sent an eleven to England to take on, principally, the Public Schools. He had even then shown signs of being a very good bowler and by 1911/12 had matured into a googly merchant of surprising accuracy, with the priceless ability of "flighting the ball".

WARNER'S TEAM

We come now to team which was sent out to Australia by the M.C.C. took special pains to select the strongest possible side. C. B. Fry was originally selected as captain and he was then in great form. Unfortunately private affairs prevented his going. It is an interesting point of speculation as to what our two great amateur batsmen, Fry and Jackson, might have done had they ever batted upon those wonderful Australian wickets. We shall never know!

Falling Fry, the obvious choice of captain was "Plum" Warner and with that team went J.W.H.T. Douglas, F. R. Foster, S. F. Barnes, J. B. Hobbs, W. Rhodes, E. J. Smith, E. F. Woolley and J. W. Hearne. These nine players, I believe, played in all the tests. The remainder of the side were G. Gunn, Hitch, C. P. Mend, Vine, Strudwick, Irremonger and Kinnear.

I have been unable to discover the exact names of all the players in test matches. I fancy however that Mead and Gunn usually played. One must also recall the name of T. Pavley who as manager of the team did an enormous amount to produce all its activities with an entire absence of friction.

It was indeed, with the exception of Fry and Spooner, about the best side which could have been chosen, but after the first match when South Australia was completely defeated, a heavy blow fell upon it. Warner, after scoring 151 in this first match, fell dangerously ill and he took no further part in the cricket of the tour although from his sick bed he worked untiringly upon the strategy of the game with Johnny Douglas whom he appointed as acting captain.

It is well known that Douglas did not settle down at once, but after we had lost the first Test he came into his own.

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After Australia had won the first match at Sydney, Warner recalls that Clem Hill and other Australian cricketers told him that they thought that Australian cricket was as strong as it had ever been. The result of the remaining four came as a shattering blow to Australian cricket circles, for England won every match.

It is interesting to note the reverse position to-day. Our present team, under Allen, has, in spite of the propaganda recently published, been undoubtedly regarded as one of our weakest during the past decade. Yet we have won the first match handsomely.

I will deal in detail with the games next week and must apologise for a short article now. I wonder if my readers realize how much work goes to the production of a single column especially when one's sources of information are scanty. I can only plead indulgence and say that this article represents five or six hours' work in one's spare time, and trust to do better in future.

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STARTING TIMES FOR

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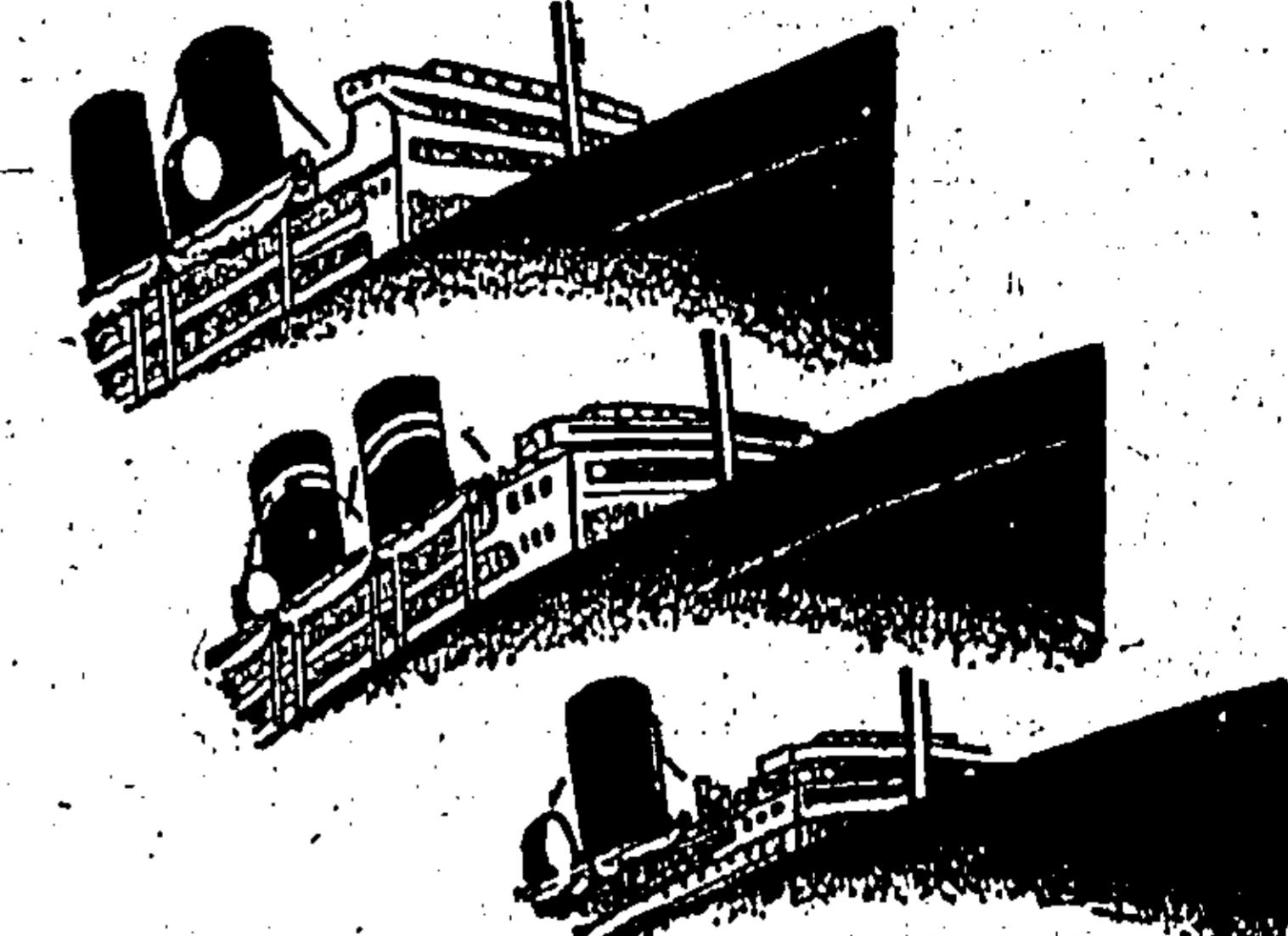
POPE IMPROVING

Rome, Dec. 10.—His Holiness the Pope got up for a short time this morning and walked to his study, but he has been medically advised to remain in his private apartment until Christmas. Reuter's Bulletin Service.

on Wednesday, January 10 at 6 o'clock.

Mr. P. S. Cassidy will open the debate and it is hoped that Professor Robertson of Hongkong University will be in the chair.

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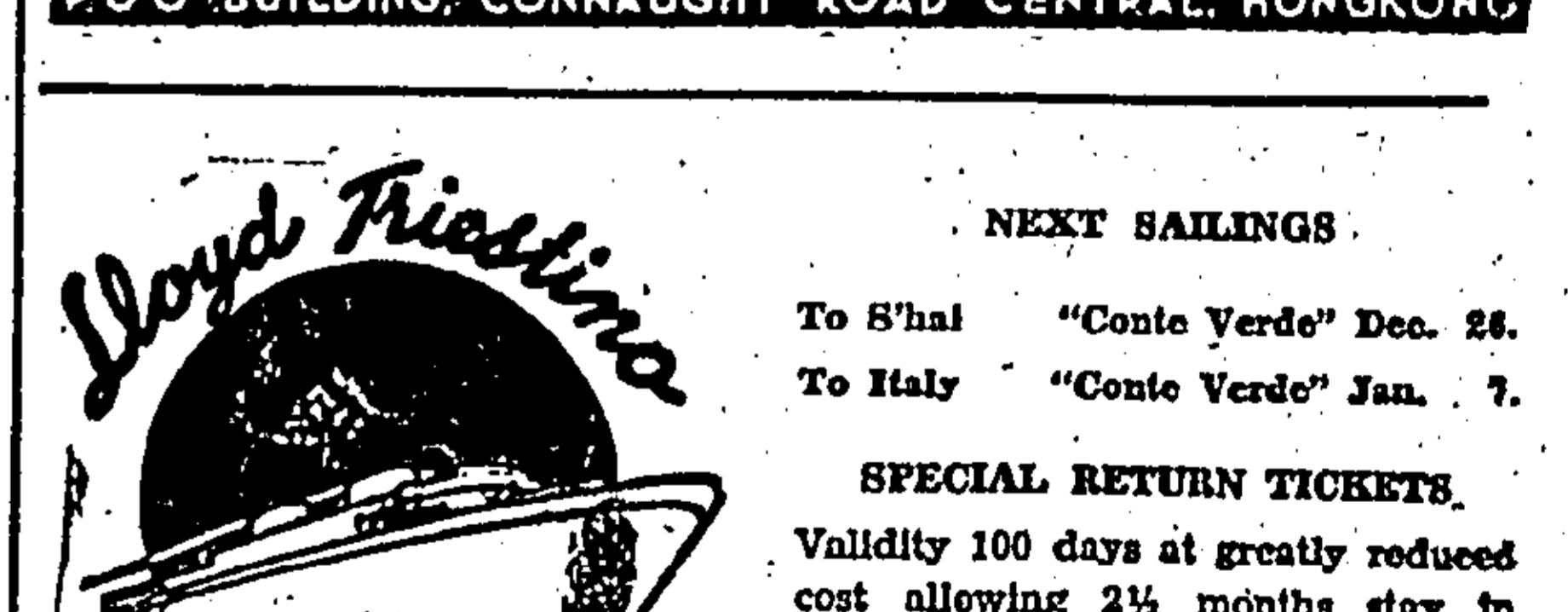
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